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NAZI NAVAL CRAFT BOMBED

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announces that during Thursday afternoon a formation of British bombers penetrated the enemy defences in the Jade Estuary and successfully reconnoitred the Wilhelmshaven naval base, where an enemy warship was attacked with bombs.

Further south, four enemy destroyers were also attacked and damage is believed to have been done.

No damage or casualties were suffered by the British aircraft, all of which returned safely. — Reuter.

ATTACKED EVERY DAY

Bergen, To-day.

After six days at sea, during which, according to newspaper reports, she was bombed daily by German aircraft, the steamer Mira, engaged in mail and passenger service between Norway and Britain, has arrived safely with 107 persons on board.

The newspaper "Dagen" states the Mira was attacked eight times but sustained no direct hit, though splinters injured two members of the crew, while two bombs fell so close that the vessel shook violently.

TRAWLER SUNK

Meanwhile, it is now learned in London that five Aberdeen trawlers were attacked by German planes in the North Sea fishing grounds on Wednesday.

One of them, the Gorspen, was sunk; the crew was saved. — Reuter.

NAZIS BOMB PASSENGER STEAMER

London, To-day.

The Norwegian ship Mira, of 1,000 tons, reported yesterday that she had been attacked by German aircraft while on the way to Bergen from Newcastle with a hundred passengers.

Eight bombs were dropped, but none of them hit the ship, and the only injuries were minor ones caused

C.O. TRIBUNAL CHAIRMAN STABBED

London, To-day.

Judge Burgis, chairman of the Lancashire and Cheshire Conscientious Objectors' Tribunal, after presiding all day at the Tribunal in Manchester, was stabbed four times in the back at the station while waiting for a train.

He was taken to hospital where his condition is stated to be serious.

A man has been detained by the police and charged with attempted murder. — Reuter.

Big Raid On Saar Front

Paris, To-day.

Under cover of one of the heaviest artillery and trench-mortar barrages yet used, the Germans launched a big raid at 5.30 on Thursday morning on a small French outpost between the Nied and the Saar.

The raid itself was unsuccessful and was easily repulsed but the French defenders suffered several casualties in the intense preliminary barrage.

Last night's French official war communique stated an enemy reconnoitring party was repulsed by one of our outposts.

The German officer leading the patrol was captured. — Reuter.

"VERY HOT"

London, To-day.

A big Nazi raid on a French advance outpost between the Nied and the Saar on Thursday is mentioned in the German official communique and in reports from Paris.

The French state that the raid was priced by one of the heaviest artillery and trench-mortar barrages yet put up by the Germans. The French suffered several losses owing to the intensity of the barrage. The attack itself was "easily repulsed."

The Germans say that the skirmish was "very hot." They admit losing one killed and several wounded. — Reuter.

NAZI RUBBER FROM D.E.I.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Large quantities of rubber are arriving in Germany through Vladivostok, writes the News Chronicle.

The rubber is sold to Japan by the Netherlands East Indies and reshipped to Germany via the trans-Siberian Railway.

The British Government has already approached the Netherlands Government with the view to put an end to this practice. — Havas.

by flying splinters.

The ship was unarmed and probably would have been an easy prey for the Nazis if a British destroyer had not come on the scene and opened fire with its anti-aircraft guns.

According to the passengers, one of the raiders was shot down and the other seemed to have been damaged when it flew off in an easterly direction. — Reuter.

WOMEN URGED TO MOBILISE ON KITCHEN FRONT

London, To-day.

LORD WOOLTON, THE NEW Food Minister, inaugurating a nation-wide food economy campaign, appealed to women to "mobilise themselves on the kitchen front."

He added enough food was stored to make Hitler, if he were a sensible man, to begin to wonder, but we must consider the future.

Kitchen habits had solid foundations but we must try new things in new ways.

Thus it would be easier for women to combine into parties and laugh at each other's failures.

"We have asked all social and educational forces to help in the campaign by aiding women to band themselves into a great regiment — the home front — getting the utmost food value from everything entering the kitchen."

Lord Woolton asked men to encourage women to try new methods in the interests of food economy, and urged a constant watch against waste. — Reuter.

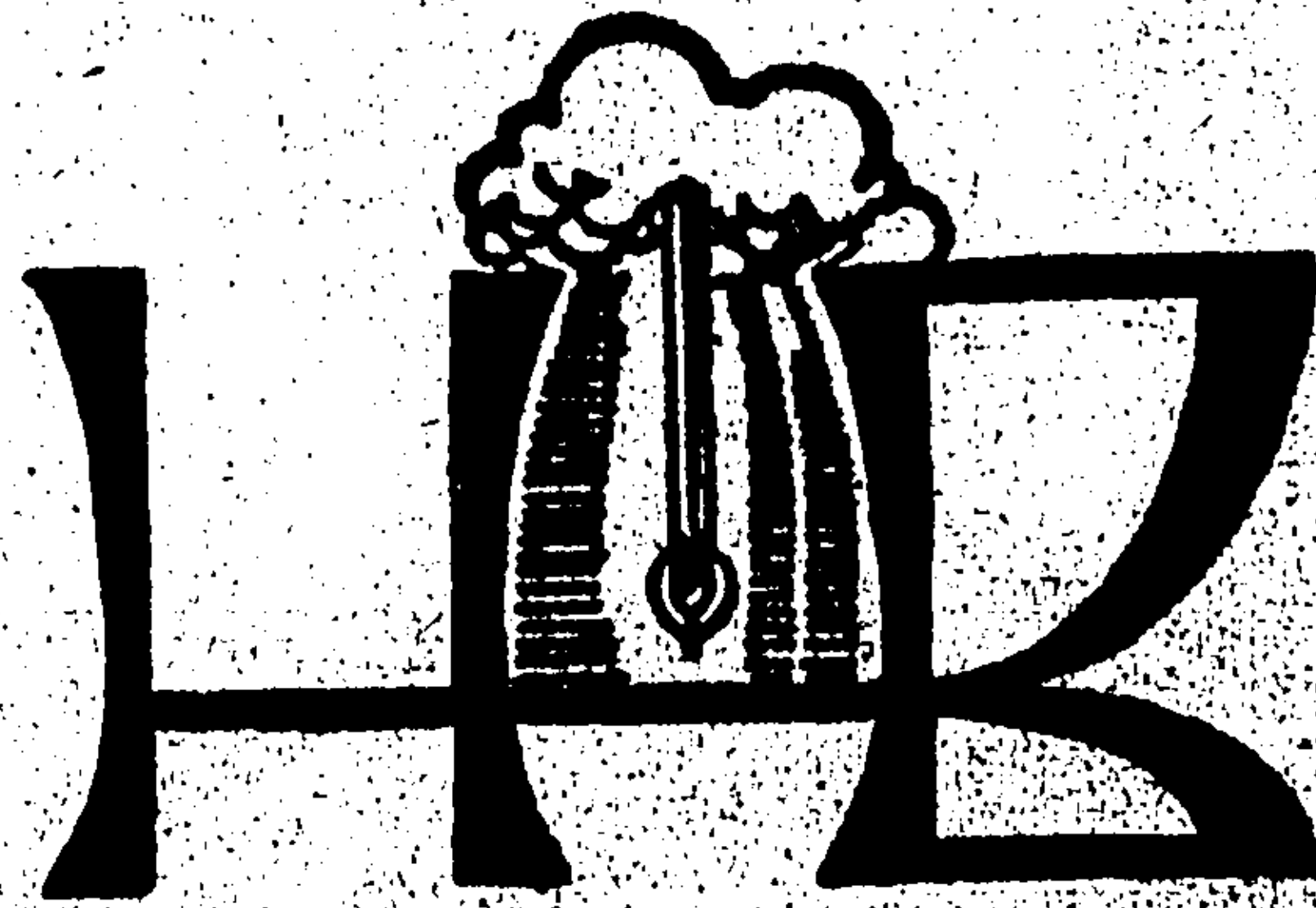
ALLOWANCE INCREASED

London, To-day.

Ordinary seamen of the Royal Navy and privates of the Army are to get a new scale of allowances for children. The allowances represent an increase of one shilling for each of the first two children. — Reuter.

The scale is now 6/- a week for one child, 10/- for two children, 12/- for three children and 3/- extra for each additional child. — Reuter.

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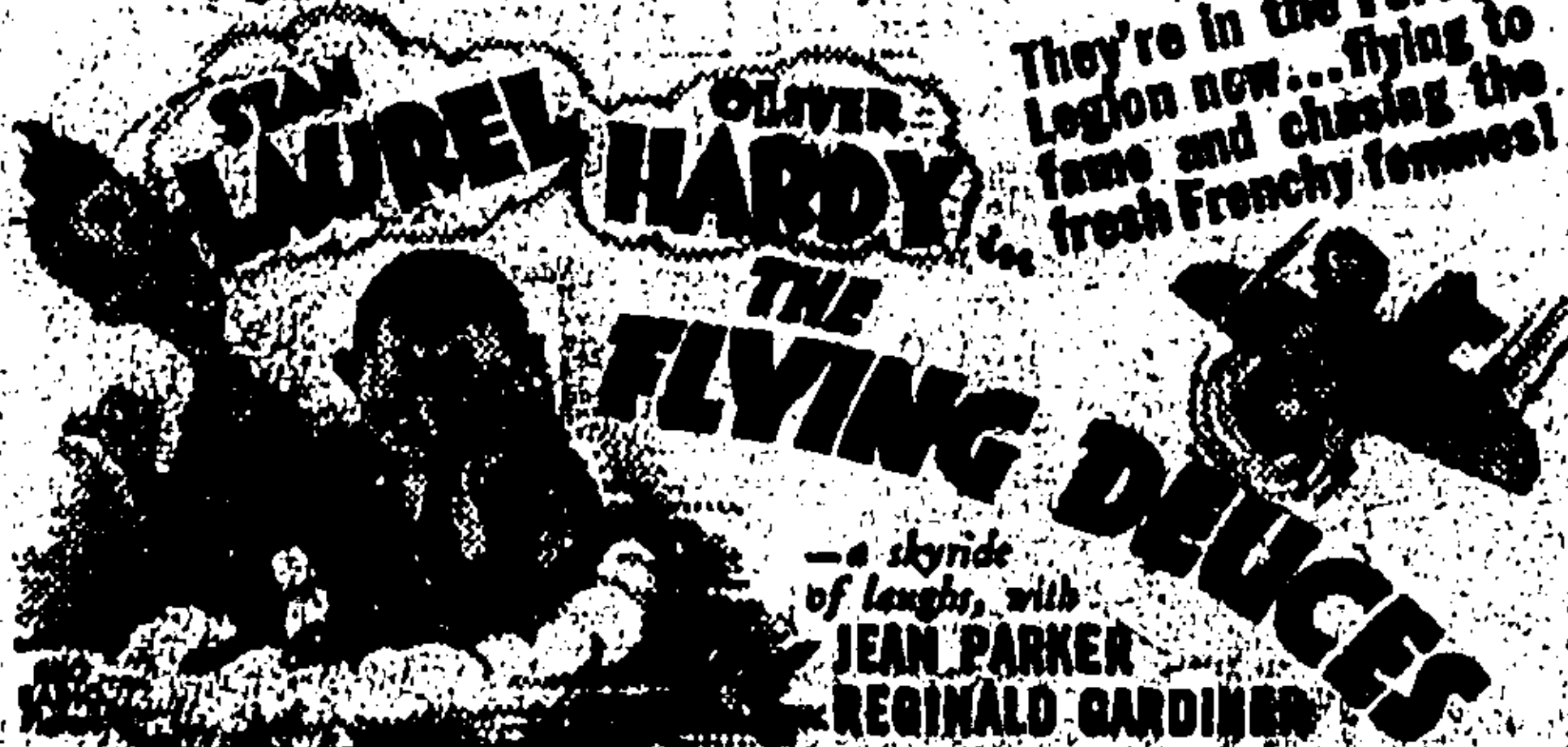
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REVOLT TALK AS NAZI TRICK: EFFORT TO CONFUSE THE ALLIES

SEASONAL STIRRINGS of anticipation, and of an excitement almost like unrest, are making themselves felt more and more in Berlin.

It seems that those who are usually called the "right thinking" are most touched by this year's spring fever of anticipation, hope and dread. The "right thinking" are those who used to regard people like Dr. Schacht and the General Staff as their natural leaders against the demoniac and intransigent man who has been governing Germany for seven years with such a shocking lack of consideration for their susceptibilities.

For years the "right thinking" have been hoping and praying for a miracle to save them from final destruction. The openness of their thoughts about the "Goering opposition" and the "General Staff opposition" and what they might do "before it is too late" is positively startling.

That these hopes and prayers are heard by the secret police—to whom they most certainly are not directed—there can be no question. So far the secret police seem to have done little or nothing to discourage this kind of treason. Why not?

There would appear to be at least one excellent reason. Within limits the more open talk there is of opposition and peace terms, the more likely the Reich enemies are to waver in singleminded prosecution of the war.

If the Nazis' enemies can be inspired, by loud talk of opposition and

treason in Germany itself, to devote even a fraction less energy and determination to the war, the Nazis will have won a famous victory. Far from discouraging this kind of talk, some Nazis actually encourage it.

The Nazis caught the British agents, Major Stevens and Capt. Best—who were kidnapped on the Dutch-German frontier—with the bait of a "Goering opposition," and they may catch even bigger fish with the same bait. The "right thinking," far from being starry-eyed sentimentalists, are passionate Nationalists almost to a man.

"Of course, Germany must dominate Europe," one of them said recently. "They are therefore confronted by what has come to be known as 'the patriot's dilemma.'"

On the one hand, if the Nazis stay in power, the world of the "right thinking" may well go down in final destruction, whether Germany wins the war or loses it, but Germany has at least a chance to win it.

On the other hand, if the "right thinking" launch a really formidable revolution against the Nazis, they paralyse the national ability to resist the Allies—and Germany's whole national existence is jeopardised.

Faced by this dilemma, the "right thinking" will probably end by doing this time just what they have invariably done in the past—nothing.

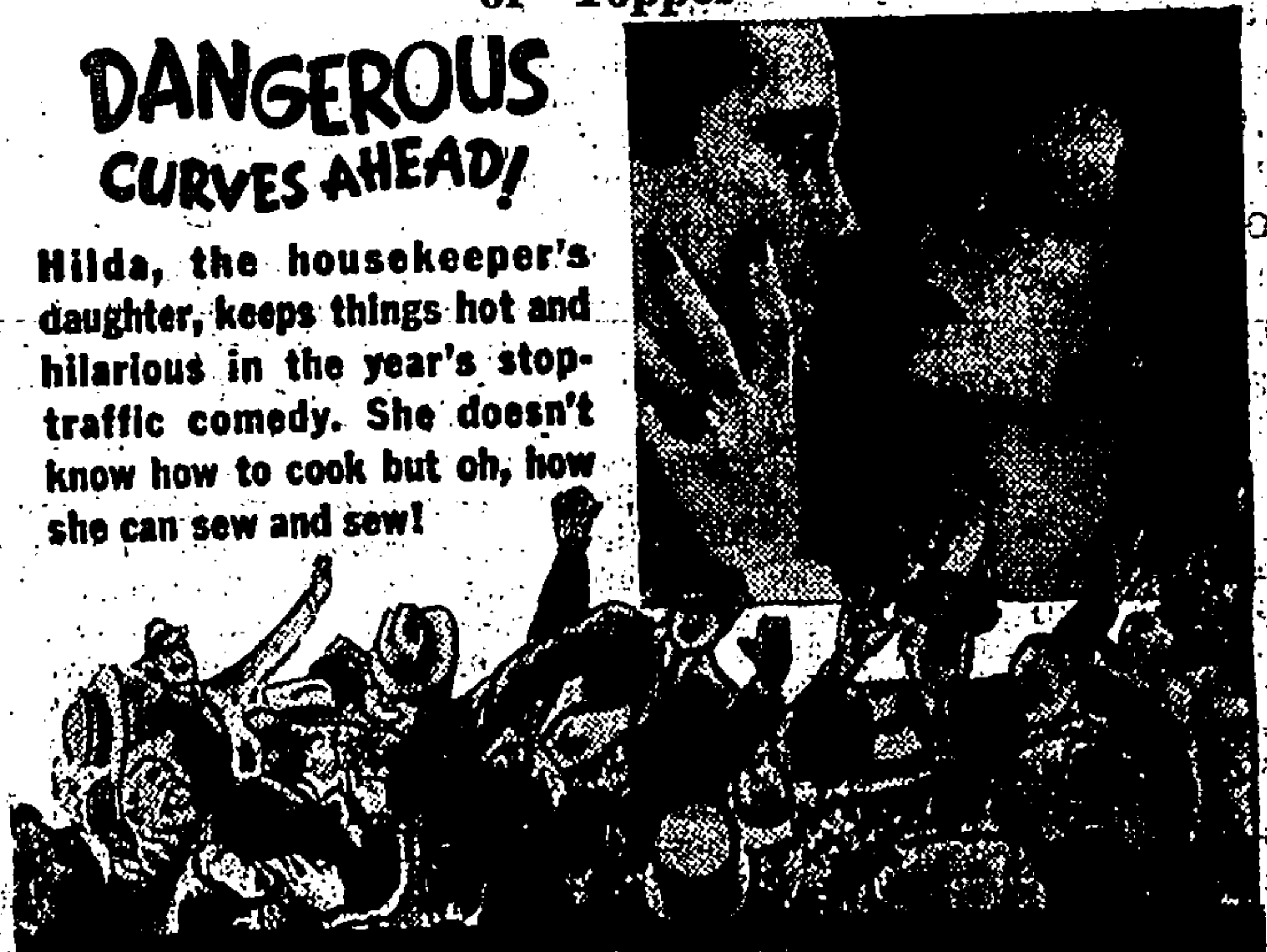
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ALLIES PREPARE BLOCKADE PLANS

LONDON, TO-DAY.
ALLIED PLANS TO INCREASE THE ECONOMIC PRESSURE ON GERMANY WERE CARRIED A STEP FURTHER YESTERDAY WHEN M. MONNET, FRENCH MINISTER OF BLOCKADE, ARRIVED FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH MR. RONALD CROSS, HIS BRITISH COUNTERPART.

M. Monnet arrived by air from Paris in the course of the morning and attended a Government luncheon at which Mr. Cross presided.

Yesterday afternoon, he began his consultations with the Ministry of Economic Warfare and these will be continued to-day before he leaves for Paris.

FEELING THE PINCH

M. Monnet stated afterwards that there was no doubt German heavy industry is already considerably short of raw materials and has to lay men off work some days each week.

"The blockade is a strong weapon which is reducing the enemy's strength and making ready for the knock-out blow."

"The Allies don't want to injure any free people but we have the right, as free peoples fighting for freedom, to take all means to end the war with as little bloodshed as possible."

"This is total war and we are entitled to take every measure that falls to our hand."

M. Monnet added that he and Mr. Cross had an excellent first meeting.

—Reuter.

SHANGHAI DESTINY IN REFUGEE HANDS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Shanghai, To-day.
With the Anglo-American bloc vote equalling the Japanese, German refugees hold in their hands the destiny of the International Settlement.

The Japanese authorities have been particularly active in the past few days to gain the German refugees' friendship in order to secure their ballots.

The emigre vote is seen as a decisive factor.

The Chinese Ratepayers Association has formally notified the S.M.C. that the five Chinese members of the Council will serve another term.

—Havard.

THE "GAZETTE"

The following appointments, etc. are gazetted:

Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skipton to be Controller of Food.

Lieut. J. Robinson allowed to resign his commission in the H.K.V.D.C.

Mr. E. W. Pudney to act as Accountant-General.

The Northumberland and Durham Association of Hong Kong are holding a Dinner Dance in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, April 12 at 8.30 p.m. Tickets may be obtained from Committee members, the Management of the Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels or from the Secretary.

CANADIAN AIRMEN TOUGH AND READY

A squadron of the Royal Canadian Air Force arrived in England recently—the first ever to leave Canada for active service abroad.

Squadron-Leader W. D. Van Vliet, thirty-six-year-old O.C., led his lads ashore at a West Country port.

Old Man Van, his squadron call him, and this broken-nosed ex-"bitish larker," ex-hockey player, ex-football star, certainly has their confidence.

"It's grand to be here," he laughed. "My lads are the finest set of airmen I know. We've got a job of work to do, and we know it may be tough."

"But we've got to get it done and get back home."

The squadron was welcomed by Captain H. H. Balfour, Under-Secretary of State for Air.

"We are fighting a formidable enemy," he told them. "It would be a great mistake to underrate the ruthlessness of the enemy or the strength he has."

"But we are bound to be successful. As more units come from our partners across the seas so the hour of victory draws nearer."

TWINS AMONG THEM

The squadron replied with their song, composed by Flying-Officer Mid-lesburgh a few weeks ago:—

Up, boys, into the blue skies.
Up, boys, that's where the foe lies.
Up, boys, we've got a war to win,
We'll make history tremble
With our might and ensemble
On the streets of Hitler's old Berlin.
Up, boys, we've got a lovely war to win.

Then they yelled for Old Man Van. "We know what we're expected to do, and I know we can do it," he said.

Bell-hops and bank clerks, cow punchers and salmon fishers, the men in the squadron hail from 140 towns, villages and settlements.

Bill and George Marr, of Calgary, Alberta, are a bit of a puzzle to the squadron. They are twins, and the only difference between them is the air gunner's badge on George's chest. Before the war started both were clerks.

"But when war started we had to follow in dad's footsteps—he went right through the last war," they said.

BRIGHTER HUES FOR WOMEN

The possibility of a shortage of dyestuffs later in the war is resulting in brighter and lighter fashions for women.

The British Colour Council stated that variety of colours would not greatly be affected by a shortage, but that it was necessary to use fewer heavy dyes. Navy blue, for instance, one of the heaviest dyes, will be needed for the Services.

Women are to be encouraged to abandon neutral colours, such as navy, nigger-brown and bottle-green, and wear clothes of lighter shades.

GREENS IN FASHION

A new fashionable light green is "bud green," sponsored by the Council. Slightly deeper is "dusky lime," and "hazel green," a more feminine variant of khaki. A bright pale yellow called "suglint" is also to be worn.

Many apparently vivid hues do not demand heavy dyes. "Lime green," a variant of the popular emerald, has given place to "Killarney green." "Venetian scarlet" is the name of the bright red seen so much at present.

The Altmark incident has provided a name for a rich sea blue called "ford blue." Other gay colours are "Roxton red" and "tulip pink."

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IN GOOD HEART

Britain Faces The Future With Confidence

R.A.F. CASUALTY LIST

London, To-day.
A casualty list issued by the Air Ministry yesterday comprises 85 names—38 killed (four of whom were previously reported missing), five died of wounds, seven died, 19 wounded and 16 missing.—Reuter.

AUSSIES WORK WITH THE R.A.F.

London, To-day.
The Royal Australian Air Force squadron which has been in training in Britain since Xmas has already flown 25,000 miles in escorting convoys. So far, they have escorted 250 ships, aggregating about 100,000 tons.

The squadron is using long-range Sunderland flying-boats, which have a crew of seven and an effective range of 2,500 miles.

Few of the pilots and crews had flown in these craft before they arrived, and they have been receiving instruction from a nucleus of Australian officers who came over in advance.

In the last few months, they have been training and making convoy flights at the same time. To-day, all the flying-boats have fully trained crews.

During the past two months, Britain has had some of the worst weather for half a century, but the squadron has never missed a patrol. Some-

PREMIER'S OPTIMISM COMMUNICATING ITSELF TO THE NATION AT LARGE

London, To-day.
THE BRITISH PRESS YESTERDAY was chiefly concerned with Mr. Chamberlain's optimistic speech on Wednesday at the annual meeting of the Central Council of the National Union of Conservative Associations. "Quite unmistakably, Mr. Chamberlain was in very good heart," says the "Daily Telegraph," and this spirit will "communicate itself to the nation at large."

CHIVALRY OF AN R.A.F. OFFICER

An unemployed chorus girl, Agnes Leach, 18, of Percy-street, W., pleaded guilty at Marylebone to stealing as bailie a £15 gold cigarette case belonging to Flying Officer Robert Armhold Denys Foster, R.A.F.

It was stated that in September Mr. Foster befriended the girl, who asked him to lend her the case to "create a better impression" when she visited a theatrical agent. He also lent her £5. When Mr. Foster next met her on February 28 she confessed that she had sold the cigarette case.

The magistrate, Mr. L. R. Dunne, said he was sure that Mr. Foster had acted from the most honourable motives.

"I do not want to discourage chivalrous ideas," Mr. Dunne added, "but you do realise, don't you, that you were asking for trouble?"

The magistrate decided to send the girl back to her parents in Leeds.

times, visibility has been so bad that even to find the convoy was a feat in itself.—Reuter.

The paper supports his belief that his confidence is not based on wishful thinking but on a calm mind, ready to face whatever the future may bring.

FINE NOTE

"The Times" applauds the Prime Minister's "fine note of confidence." It agrees that we may still have to undergo some very heavy trials before the war is over, but says that the tolls and losses will be heavier on Germany than on Britain or France, for a free community is far better fitted for a sustained struggle than a dragooned people nourished on lies which, as time goes on, must be eventually exposed.

The "Daily Express" heads its article—"Goering is Boring." The Prime Minister, says the paper, says that he is tired of the same old threats from the other side of the Rhine. So is the "Daily Express."

So are the British people. The "Daily Express" mocks at Goering's threats that his air force will at any moment rain down bombs on Britain and taunts him to "come and try it!"

INNER ROT

The "Daily Mail" refers to the German rage which always attends any speech by the Prime Minister. Germany raged on Tuesday at the speech Mr. Chamberlain made in Commons; yesterday, they could rage once more, because the Prime Minister had spoken again.

The paper comments:—"No nation which is sure of its ground would feel the need to indulge in such daily vulgar vituperation against the enemy. Germany is exposing her inner rot to the eyes of the world."—Reuter.

BIG SUCCESS OF HARP RECITAL

The Foreign Auxiliary to the National Red Cross Society of China wishes to thank Solange Renie (harpist) Angelika Messler-Steinschneider (mezzo-soprano) and Mr. E. O'Neill Shaw (accompanist) for their performance at the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, on March 28th. The Foreign Auxiliary would also like to thank the Management of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels Ltd. for the use of the Rose Room and all those who sent donations. 392 tickets were sold, the total expenses were \$94.60 and the nett proceeds amounted to \$1,070.95. This has been remitted to Dr. R. K. S. Lim for the Orthopaedic Hospital, Kweiyang.

RETIREMENT OF MR. FRANK PICK

London, To-day.
Mr. Frank Pick, vice-chairman of the London Passenger Transport Board, who is 82 years of age, has resigned on account of poor health. One of the greatest experts on London traffic, Mr. Pick planned the evacuation of London at the beginning of the war.—Reuter.

UHENFELS IN LONDON AS PRIZE

London, To-day.
The first German ship to reach London since the outbreak of war was brought up the Thames by tugs yesterday.

She is the 8,000-ton Uhenfels, captured by the Royal Navy in the South Atlantic in November.—Reuter.

H.K. BANS "EACH DAWN I DIE"

On the grounds that it was not a fit film to be shown locally, the Hong Kong Censors have banned the latest Warner Brothers picture "Each Dawn I Die", starring James Cagney and George Raft, the "China Mail" learned from reliable sources this morning.

The Appeal Board also rejected the film, on the grounds that it was an undesirable film for the Hong Kong public.

While the actual reasons for the Censors' disapproval are not known, it is possibly because the film portrays the more sordid side of prison life, including a riot, that the film is banned. The story is that of a reporter, Cagney, who gets evidence linking the District Attorney with a company scandal. He is "framed" and sent to prison for manslaughter. Knowing he is innocent, Cagney is rebellious in prison, and subsequently helps Raft, a gangster, to escape.

RIOT SEQUENCE

In return, Raft promises to find the men responsible for the "frame-up." He gives himself up because the man who framed Cagney is in prison. Back in prison, Raft stages another escape and, although mortally wounded, forces a confession which frees Raft.

The prison riot sequence is possibly the one that disturbed the censors. According to publicity material previously sent out by Warner, it is "undoubtedly the most authentic as well as the most exciting and terrifying depiction of such an event as has ever been shown on the film. It makes a smashing climax for a truly powerful picture."

FINLAND BUYING MUNITIONS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington, To-day.
The War Department has announced the sale to Finland of 32 howitzers, 200 of the famous French 75 millimeters guns and other munitions. Finland submitted the bid during her war with Russia, but the material was not delivered, as President Roosevelt decided that it could not be sold to belligerents.—Havas.

OFF THE RECORD

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LORD WOOLTON TAKES OVER CONTROL OF THE "BIGGEST SHOP IN THE WORLD"

London, To-day.

"THE BIGGEST SHOP THE WORLD has ever seen" was the description given by Lord Woolton, the Minister of Food, to his Ministry, with its staff of 15,000 men and women.

He was talking to newspapermen about his new post. The first question he asked when he took over, he said, was: Are the goods there? The answer was an emphatic "yes." The splendid work of his predecessor, Mr. Morrison, made sure of that.

SPITTING IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS AN OFFENCE

An Ordinance to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1932, by making spitting an offence is published in the "Gazette" to-day.

2. Section 3 is amended by the insertion immediately after paragraph (1) thereof of the following paragraph—

(1A) in or into a public place or vehicle or any building to which the public have access, spits except into a receptacle or channel for sewage, sullage or waste water;

Pulmonary tuberculosis, it is pointed out, is a serious menace to health and life in Hong Kong and indiscriminate spitting, a habit unfortunately prevalent among certain classes in this Colony, is an important factor in spreading the disease.

The present measure extends to public places the prohibition against indiscriminate spitting now enforced, in dairies, milk shops, eating houses, restaurants, food factories, food shops, markets, slaughter-houses and laundries, by by-laws made by the Urban Council.

It is recommended by the Urban Council as necessary in the interests of public health and supported by the District Watch Committee and by a large body of public opinion in this Colony.

The gradual enforcement of the

In this respect, we show the neutrals how strong our position is, Lord Woolton said. That will not be a matter of window-dressing, but just a statement of hard facts.

Stating that he had now resigned from every commercial undertaking from which he had previously got his living, Lord Woolton appealed to traders to play the game fairly and co-operate fully with him.

While he would welcome constructive criticism, he appealed to the public — "as a new boy" — to refrain from destructive criticism of his staff.

DIFFICULT JOB

"They are just ordinary human beings learning a very difficult job of Government control," Lord Woolton said. He emphasised that if anything went wrong he would want to know the reason why.

Subsequently, he said that although we have enough food stored up "to make Hitler think, if he was a sensible and level-headed man," we must make the most of it and prevent all waste. He appealed to the women of Britain to try and find new methods of eliminating waste. — Reuter.

YANKEE CLIPPER'S GREAT RECORD

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

New York, To-day.

The Yankee Clipper completed a run from New York to Lisbon and return in the record time of 43 hours 36 minutes, beating the former record held by the Dixie Clipper by 5 hours 19 minutes. — Havas.

provision introduced by this bill is regarded by the local health authorities as urgently necessary if the spread of tuberculosis is to be checked.

U-BOATS KEEPING TO PORT?

London, To-day.

Official circles are unable to draw definite conclusions from the fact that no British ships have been sunk by U-boats for 10 days, but consider it possible that Germany is suffering from a lack of suitable personnel or even submarines. — Reuter.

IN LOVE AGAIN—THE ARMY DID IT

The sight of her husband in uniform made a wife fall in love with him again.

She had been parted two years. She had sworn never to return to him—until she saw how handsome he looked in battle dress.

He had hoped that joining the Army would help him forget. Instead, it brought the union for which he had not dared to hope.

So Private Alfred George Henry, of St. Luke's-road, Maidenhead, Berks, and his wife Cissy re-made their marriage vows—over the tea table.

Private Henry is twenty-six and his wife twenty-three. They have been married five years and have three children, one born just after they separated.

Henry had written several times pleading with his wife to return to him. She finally replied that her mind was made up: that she would never return.

VISIT TO HOSPITAL

When he joined up in November he thought he might never see his wife and children again.

When he was stationed at Reading he was laid up with influenza. When he was recovering in hospital he decided to make another appeal to his wife—not that he had much hope of her changing her mind.

"Please come back to me," he pleaded. "I love you as I always did."

It worked; "I was still in hospital when a visitor was announced," he told a reporter.

"It was Cissy, my wife. She had brought two of the children, Royston John, aged four, and Joan Alice, aged three.

"I was discharged from hospital the same day and I went home with my wife to Maidenhead.

"On our way I asked her if she would consider coming back to me, and she told me she would. She said she was proud of me.

"If I had not joined the Army I am sure Cissy and I would have remained separated, probably for good.

SOMETHING TO FIGHT FOR

"It was fine to be with my wife once again, and I have the Army to thank for it.

"Now I have got something to fight for—my wife and my children."

Mrs. Henry said: "When I got the separation against Alfred I vowed I would never go back.

"I had my third baby while we were separated, but that made no difference to my decision.

"When I saw my husband in his uniform I had the feeling I was falling in love again.

"We patched things up. I would not have returned to him but for the war.

COLLAPSE OF NAZI STANDARD OF LIVING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berne, To-day.

"The Allied blockade has had disastrous effect on Germany's economy and has resulted in the collapse of the standard of living throughout the country," writes La Nation, describing living conditions in Austria.

The absence of some foodstuffs has caused a clandestine trade. For instance, one pound of coffee is being sold at the exorbitant price of 50 marks. Only two eggs can be purchased by one person every five weeks.

The lack of commodities is not accepted lightly by the population, as German propaganda would make the world believe. The Nazis are making efforts to raise the morale of the people by telling them that conditions are growing worse in Great Britain and supplies are soon coming from Russia.

Nazi promises have not gained the credence of the German rural population which is still waiting for the fodder that was to be supplied under the German-Russian agreement.

Despite severe punishment meted out by the Gestapo, people are listening more and more to broadcasts from outside countries. — Havas.

CLOSED SCHOOLS SEND BOYS WILD

Boys are having to be sent to approved schools, because they have been allowed to run wild.

Mr. Fred Hughes, of the National Union of Clerks, made this statement at a London conference, when the National Federation of Professional Workers carried a resolution calling for continuation in war-time of the full educational curriculum.

"Wholesale closing of schools is not necessary to win the war," said Mr. Hughes. "It is simply panic."

The conference also called for the withdrawal of defence regulations vesting the Government with extreme powers for the suppression of free speech and a free Press.

"If we are really fighting to safeguard the principles of democracy and liberty," said Mr. C. Bundock, general secretary of the National Union of Journalists, "we must have the right to express an opinion and not be subject to regulations which at any time, on the whim of the authorities, would permit the suppression of a paper or a meeting or even an individual."

SIR H. MACMICHAEL INSPECTS ANZACS

Jerusalem, To-day.

The High Commissioner to Palestine yesterday made his first official visit to the Australian troops stationed there. He inspected them and later visited their overseas base headquarters. — Reuter.

"It is strange to think that one minute I was determined never to go back to him, and the next I was knitting him a pullover. I am happy now that I changed my mind."



Over 50 of the German bomber and reconnaissance machines that have attempted to reach Britain have been destroyed by Fighter Command pilots. Fighter Command R.A.F. is responsible for close defence at home from hostile air attack and this involves the co-ordination of fighter aircraft with other defence units. Picture shows the work done by the personnel of a typical fighter station "somewhere in Scotland." This particular station belongs to sector that can claim the largest "bag" of enemy aircraft brought down since war. There have been 16 interceptions and 9 raiders have been shot down. Two of the pilots have been awarded the D.F.C. The fighter pilots use models to be able to recognise German machines and know their "blind" spots. Here are pilots studying (left to right) M.E. 109, Messerschmitt, Junkers 87, Heinkel 111 and Junkers 52. (Copyright, Fox).

LET 'EM ALL COME

Sir Edmund Ironside On Military Situation

A CHALLENGE TO THE GERMAN ARMY

LONDON, TO-DAY.

GENERAL SIR EDMUND IRONSIDE, CHIEF OF IMPERIAL GENERAL STAFF, RECEIVING THE PRESS AT THE WAR OFFICE YESTERDAY, DECLARED: "THE ALLIES SHOULD BE HEARTILY GRATEFUL THAT THEY HAVE ENJOYED SEVEN MONTHS IN WHICH TO PERFECT THEIR ARMIES."

"I tremble to think what might have happened if the Germans had attacked at the start when we had virtually no army. Only in the last fortnight can it be said that we have really turned the corner but we are now amply prepared."

General Ironside continued: "The German army is a wonderful machine but there is no man in it who participated in the last war above the rank of captain, whereas Britain and France have ample stocks of experienced leaders from the last war."

"There may be a genius in the German army but I doubt it. I know most of the German commanders and I am sure they must feel very exercised about what they should do if they were ordered to advance."

"Six months ago they might have succeeded but not now."

RUSSIA'S POSITION

Referring to Russia, General Ironside observed that the Finnish war had extended the Soviets to the utmost and had weakened her food resources.

Maybe Russia would start trouble elsewhere but if she did it would be at the end of a long line of communications which would be difficult to maintain and she would weaken herself still further.—Reuter.

DUNLOP RUBBER CO. PROFITS

London, To-day.

The Stock Exchange was steady and cheerful at the close yesterday following a moderately active session in which Dunlop Rubbers were the chief feature, sharply advancing from 33/9 to 38/1 on a total distribution for the year of 12 per cent. compared with nine previously, while net profits were £2,853,000 compared with the previous year's £1,501,000.

Wall Street was firm. — Reuter.

THETIS TO BE GIVEN NEW NAME AND RECOMMISSIONED

London, To-day.

It is learned in official quarters that H.M.S. Thetis, the submarine which sank with the loss of 99 lives last year, is being repaired and will be renamed and commissioned for service. — Reuter.

ZINC COINS FOR GERMANY

Berlin, To-day.

New coins of one, five and ten pfennig denominations, made of zinc, are to be issued in the next few days to replace the present copper and bronze coins.—Reuter.

NAZIS FAKE ENGLISH NEWSPAPER!

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Stockholm, To-day.
The German Propaganda Department published here yesterday a false edition, in the English language, of the "Evening Standard," bitterly criticising the British Government.—Havas.

LIU CHIH PROMOTED

London, To-day.

Mr. Liu Chih, First Secretary of the Chinese Embassy, is leaving for America to-day to become Counsellor of the Chinese Embassy in Washington.

In the course of seven months in London Mr. Liu has been prominent and helpful in all Anglo-Chinese activities, and has made many friends.

The China Campaign Committee entertained Mr. Liu and his beautiful wife at luncheon yesterday, and many warm speeches were made emphasising the guests' popularity and regret at their departure. — Reuter.

BOY-MANIAC STABS GIRLS

A boy maniac who is terrorising a city's womenfolk with knife attacks at night stabbed two girls, aged nineteen. He attacked the second girl a few seconds after he had left the first.

Flinging open the door of her home, Iris Williams, of Coleford-road, Southmead, Bristol, fainted in the arms of her mother.

Iris fought for her life with her assailant. She had been stabbed five times.

She was the first of the youth's victims.

The second, Eileen Creese, of Ringwood-crescent, who lives only a few hundred yards away from Iris, was stabbed in the cheek and arm.

Both girls describe the youth as being about sixteen or seventeen, with fair wavy hair.

He is believed to be responsible for a number of attacks on young girls.

"CHRISTIAN FRONT" TRIAL OPENS

New York, To-day.

The Government's case against 17 members of the "Christian Front" was opened yesterday by Attorney H. M. Kennedy.

Mr. Kennedy said he would prove accused "did conspire to plot and scheme the overthrow of the Government by force, to oppose it by force and to take its property by force."

He contended the Government's case was based "on evidence of provocateurs in the employ of the Communist Government of Russia and the Communist party in New York."

—Reuter.

BOSE PUBLICATION BANNED

Calcutta, To-day.

The Bengal Government has forbidden publication of the programme for the so-called "National Week" organised by the "anti-compromise" group led by Mr. C. S. Bose and fixed to begin to-day. — Reuter.



"NAVAL" TWINS AT WEDDING OF ADMIRAL'S DAUGHTER
Photo taken at the wedding between Anne Brownrigg, only daughter of Admiral Sir Studholme and Lady Brownrigg, to John Earl, elder son of Paymaster Captain and Mrs. Scotland, of Beaconsfield. The attendants were John and Jeremy, the six-year-old twins of Lt. Comdr. Redman, and after the reception they helped to haul the car containing the bride and groom from the house to the station. The wedding ceremony took place in the Parish Church, Cobham, Kent. (Copyright, Fox).

SOVIET'S OFFER TO BRITAIN

London, To-day.

An improvement of Anglo-Soviet trade relations was the subject raised by Ivan Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador, at his recent meeting with the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

In Russian quarters it is contended that the Allies would benefit directly through better trade with the Soviet.

They would also benefit indirectly, the Russians say, because clauses in the Soviet mutual assistance pacts with Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia provide the Baltic states with transit facilities through Russia.

Thus Britain could obtain Baltic supplies as well as Russian via Murmansk or Black Sea ports.

Whether Russian transport is able to make such routes feasible is considered very doubtful but the suggestion forms part of the Russian argument in favour of resuming normal trade relations with the Western Powers.—Reuter.

GIRLS MAY FREE MEN FOR FRONT

Britain's civil defence may have to be shouldered almost entirely by women if the war develops to tremendous proportions.

That is the opinion of Admiral Sir Edward Evans ("Evans of the Broke") London's A.R.P. Commissioner, who warned the country of the danger of losing the war on the home front.

"Keep constantly in training for the great trial which we believe awaits you," Sir Edward implored a Camberwell parade of 2,000 civil defence workers.

"I hope the time will never come for women to take over the task," he said, "but people in this country have not yet given a proper appreciation to the value of man-power, which is limited."

"In fact, it is so limited that, unless the best of our manhood is properly employed, I believe it possible for us to lose the war on the home front. I am not a pessimist, nor am I an alarmist."

"But I do face facts and I do believe that to-day too many people are sitting back complacently, expecting to win the war by leaflets and a debate rather than mobilise the nation's reserve, man-power, will-power and thinking power."

Sir Edward said that unfair criticism of the Services had largely disappeared.

"The nation has become A.R.P. conscious and certainly air-raid-minded after learning of what had happened in Poland and gallant little Finland," he said.

COAL PRODUCTION COUNCIL FORMED

London, To-day.

Formation of a new Coal Production Council, in order to maintain home supplies and increase exports to the Allies and to countries now unable to obtain German supplies, is announced by the Minister of Mines.

Chairman of the Council will be Lord Portal. — Reuter.



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THE LIBERAL FUTURE

Sir Archibald Sinclair looked beyond the war and the peace treaty. For his view forwards he made the condemnation of an old error his vantage-point. The Liberal party went into opposition in protest against the Ottawa agreements, which, it held, closed the Empire and encouraged other nations in selfish economic nationalism. Sir Archibald rightly argued that the future peace would be no better founded than the last unless it becomes a common world policy that no nation be excluded from prosperity. In the breaking down of economic barriers Germany must be treated as an equal from the first. That she was not was our mistake last time. We must preserve that distinction, which some even now are beginning to dispute, between the German people and their Nazi rulers. It has been well made by a very great German now in exile, Dr. Karl Barth. "The German people," he has said "is not a bad people, no worse certainly than all other peoples." But, he went on.

National Socialism... is a peculiarly evil expression of the unusual political stupidity, confusion, and helplessness of the German people.

Sir Archibald Sinclair again made a Liberal appeal for social justice here, and for support after the war for bodies like the International Labour Office which pursue it in the world. Nothing of this can come without victory. Sir Archibald Sinclair had no fear that it would not be ours, but he saw as two present essentials for a victory the smaller War Cabinet without administrative duties and the appointment in it of an Economic Minister. Both these demands, not made only by Liberals, have so far been denied.—"Manchester Guardian."

INDEPENDENCE OF THE PHILIPPINES

The President's reasons for saying the American people would not tolerate the kind of continued relationship which he feels the Philippines must demand, the quality of freedom which he sets as a minimum alternative to complete independence, remain somewhat obscure.

He is quoted as saying he is for re-examination in theory, but against it in fact because the United States wouldn't meet the necessary conditions. Still he does believe that there is a solution to the Philippine question better than is contained in the independence act. The President may be right. Perhaps America wouldn't grant the conditions he deems necessary. But the fact remains that those conditions have never been submitted to the Americans, or to Congress, in whose hands the decision rests.

More than six years remain before the Philippine Commonwealth completes its allotted span of life. The law now provides for a conference in 1944 at which representatives of both countries would thrash out together the very problems which Mr. Quezon now brings to the fore. No one can predict what world conditions will be at that time, nor how the American people will feel toward the Philippines and vice versa.

The President's Saturday night speech was almost a repetition of the one he made earlier in the week. That

first announcement drew a response from Washington. Senator Pittman was quoted as saying he thought the Quezon utterances were a trial balloon. Another congressman repeated the assurance that any proposals Mr. Quezon might make would be listened to with respectful interest, would be welcomed, in fact. The attitude was made plain that if any doors are being closed to re-examination they are being closed on this side of the Pacific, not on the American side.

Pittman's estimate probably hit fairly close to the real purpose behind the President's remarks. In view of the trip he is reportedly planning this summer, it would be advantageous to know in advance the reaction of congressmen and the administration to a proposal, for instance, to give the Philippines power to conclude commercial treaties. In view of the 40 pleasant years of Philippine-American friendship and the proven ability of the two countries to talk over and plan their relations with sympathy and understanding on both sides, it seems a little early in the game to give up hope of effecting a change in the independence law without even trying.—"Manila Bulletin."

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The future of the public schools—which formed the subject last week of a rather hasty discussion in the House of Commons—has for some months been studied by a small committee composed of representatives of the Board of Education, the Headmasters' Conference and the governing bodies. The committee is expected to produce almost immediately a very valuable report, which, however, in the nature of things can hardly go beyond a tentative and preliminary survey. What is needed to examine the wider aspects of the problem—and in particular to explore the future relations between the public schools and the State system—is a suitable Royal Commission.

The difficulties ahead will not merely be aftermaths of war. Their origins may be sought earlier in the fall of the birth rate and the resulting decline in school populations. This affects the schools which are supported by rates and taxes as well as the public schools which are not; though in the former case it is the ratepayer and taxpayer who will be burdened. The drop in numbers grows a little every year. So far it has been most felt by the preparatory schools, and at the public-school age has not damaged more than a few of the weaker establishments. But as it increases, its influence must be felt more widely. No doubt the effect will be enhanced by future family impoverishment, due to heavy war taxation and other war losses. Yet one need not exaggerate it. Thus far for most public schools no acute problem has arisen.

The Royal Commission must be prepared to take long and wide views. It will see in the public boarding-schools one of the vital institutions of the country, unsurpassed in the world, in some respects, as nurseries of character and responsibility. It will have no hasty disposition to acquiesce in their decline and fall. Equally, however, it will recognise that the present absence of any organic relation between these schools and the State-organised day-school system ought not to continue.—"Sunday Times"

AIR SUPREMACY

We shall not come into clear sight of victory until air-supremacy is created. The way out is the way over. Why? The present defensive position is too passive and in some respects too negative. We are kept waiting upon the aggressive intentions of an enemy who holds the interior lines. At home and abroad we are kept looking with uncertainty to every quarter of the field of conflict.—J. L. Garvin.

H-K'S BLACKOUT NEXT WEEK

A COMPULSORY blackout exercise will be held on the night of the 11th April, 1940.

In previous exercises the air raid warning has only been sounded once, but in this exercise the warning signal will be sounded twice, and on each occasion upon which the warning signal is sounded the general public must comply with the Lighting Control Regulations as published in the Government Gazette of 14th July, 1939, Government Notification No. 505, as subsequently amended by the Government Gazette Extraordinary of 20th September, 1939, Government Notification No. 824 and Government Notification No. 57 of 19th January, 1940, respectively.

It is not proposed to issue any detailed instructions to the general public as it is considered that by this time they should be conversant with the provisions of the Lighting Control Regulations.

The exercise will be divided into certain periods as hereunder:—

Period (I):—From sunset to the sounding of the first "air raid warning" signal.

Period (II):—From the first "air raid warning" signal to the first "raiders passed" signal.

Period (III):—From the first "raiders passed" signal to the second "air raid warning" signal.

Period (IV):—From the second "air raid warning" signal to the second "raiders passed" signal.

During these periods the following lighting restrictions will be enforced:—

ROAD TRANSPORT VEHICLES

During periods (I), (III) and (IV) all lights including rear and stop lights must be masked in accordance with the Lighting Control Regulations. Traffic under the above lighting restrictions will be permitted to run during these periods.

During period (II) all lights must be extinguished and vehicles must pull into the side of the road and cease running.

TRAMS

Trams will conform to the above lighting restrictions applicable to Road Transport Vehicles, and will not run during period (II), but they should exhibit a red light on the forward and after end of the tramcar.

The movements of vehicles belonging to the Naval, Military, Air Force, Essential, A.R.P., Police and Ambulance Services will not be restricted during any of the above periods, although all lights must be masked in accordance with the Lighting Control Regulations.

SHIPPING AND WATERCRAFT

During period (I) lighting must be reduced to the minimum and arrangements must be made so that all lights can be obscured or extinguished within three minutes. Navigation and riding lights should remain alight.

During period (II) all lights including navigation and riding lights must be extinguished, and all movements of shipping and other craft must cease during this period.

Should any ships, etc. be under way when the first "air raid warning" signal is sounded, they should proceed with navigation lights alight to the nearest safe anchorage or jetty, and after either anchoring or securing, navigation and riding lights must be extinguished.

During period (III) movements of shipping may be resumed but navigation and riding lights must be shown. All other lights must either be obscured or extinguished, or arrangements made so that they can with certainty be either extinguished or obscured within three minutes.

During period (IV) movements of shipping will be permitted, but only navigation and riding lights must be shown. All other lights must be either extinguished or obscured.

The harbour will be closed to the entry and departure of shipping from sunset on the night of the 11th April, 1940, to sunrise on the 12th April, 1940.

DOCKS, PIERS AND WHARVES

During period (I) all lights which cannot be extinguished within three minutes must not be lit.

During period (II) all remaining lights, including those lights to aid navigation, must be extinguished.

During period (III) the minimum number of lights compatible with safety may be relit provided they can with certainty be extinguished within three minutes.

During period (IV) all lights including those to aid navigation must be extinguished except those required by vessels coming alongside and these lights must be reduced in intensity and so screened that no light is thrown above the horizontal.

STREET LIGHTING

During period (I) all lights which cannot be extinguished within three minutes must not be lit.

During period (II) all remaining lights must be extinguished.

During period (III) lights may be switched on provided they can again be extinguished within three minutes.

During period (IV) all lights must be extinguished, and remain thus until the termination of the exercise.

PRIVATE HOUSES AND BUILDINGS

During period (I) all lights which cannot be extinguished or obscured within three minutes must not be lit.

During period (II) all remaining lights must be extinguished or obscured.

During period (III) lights may be switched on provided they can with certainty again be extinguished or obscured within three minutes.

During period (IV) all lights must be extinguished or obscured, and remain thus until the termination of the exercise.

Sky signs, illuminated advertisements, facials and other similar devices, and lights used inside shops for the purpose of advertisement must not be lit throughout the whole of the periods (I) to (IV).

RAILWAYS

During periods (II) and (IV) all lights on trains and signal lights other than those necessary to bring traffic to a stop must be extinguished or obscured in accordance with the Lighting Control Regulations.

During periods (I) and (III) restricted lighting will be permitted, but all lights thus permitted must be capable of extinction or obscuration within three minutes.

OBSCURATION OF LIGHTS

The obscuration of all lights must be effected by using either black or dark blue material, or black or dark blue paint. In all cases two thicknesses must be used. The use of any other colour will be a contravention of Lighting Control Regulations.

TERMINATION OF EXERCISE

The exercise will terminate on the sounding of the second "raiders passed" signal, followed by the switching on of street lights.

NEW TERRITORIES

The instructions as enumerated above will apply to the New Territories, but owing to the fact that it is not practicable to communicate the air raid warning signals to the various outlying districts of the New Territories, all lights must be either obscured or extinguished from sunset on the 11th April, 1940, to sunrise on the 12th April, 1940.

CHIMES IN NO-MAN'S LAND!

A PATROL OF GRENADIER GUARDS TURNED BELL RINGERS IN NO MAN'S LAND IN FRANCE.

Tired of vainly seeking the enemy in nightly patrols, the Guards decided, before returning to their lines, to make a final raid on a deserted village in No Man's Land which was believed to shelter some Germans. A covering party having taken up positions near the entrance to the village, the patrol went on ahead and disappeared up the village street.

The covering party waited. All was silent. The village seemed dead. Then a peal of bells sounded on the still air, gentle to begin with, then clamorous and insistent.

For the first time since the war began, the chimes of the village church were ringing.

NAZIS SHORT OF U-BOAT CREWS

ACCORDING TO INFORMATION WHICH HAS REACHED PARIS PRIVATELY FROM KIEL, THE GERMAN NAVAL AUTHORITIES ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING SATISFACTORY SUBMARINE CREWS.

There is no lack of fanatical young men willing to die for the sake of Hitler, but older men with a good mechanical training are reluctant to volunteer even when bonuses and other inducements are offered.

Still more difficulty is being experienced in persuading construction engineers belonging to the works to take trial trips in the submarines to test them in actual running conditions. Here, the report states, the greatest reluctance is displayed, and all kinds of excuses are made.

BANS ON CAVELL FILM REVERSED

German efforts to prevent the exhibition of the film, "Nurse Cavell," in South and Central American countries were described by the trade publication, Motion Picture Daily. It said:

"R.K.O. and its sales representatives in Latin America, in some instances with the aid of the State Department, have successfully opposed official bans against the picture which resulted from Nazi protests."

In Chile and Costa Rica the film was banned after official German protests. After American objections, however, the two Governments saw the film and rescinded the ban.



Drowning in a wine barrel is the strange fate of Vincent Price at the hands of Basil Rathbone and Boris Karloff in Universal's "Tower of London," at the King's Theatre. The peculiar form of torture was one of actual historical record unearthed by the research experts of Hollywood.

ITALY'S BLACK SEA CLAIM

An obviously inspired statement circulated by the Informazione del Giorno said that Italy may claim for herself the full application of the Montreux Convention of July 20, 1936, in which Turkey undertakes to permit the dispatch of warships by the other eight signatory States through the Dardanelles in the event of a threat to their shipping. Italy was not a signatory.

The immediate cause of the statement is said to be an unconfirmed report that Britain has already asked Turkey for permission to make such a move.

The statement said that on May 2, 1938, following the signing of the Italo-British agreement, Italy adhered to the Montreux Convention, thereby assuming all the commitments and rights of the other signatory States.

"It is clear," the statement went on, "that, apart from the bonds existing between Turkey and Great Britain and France in prevision of eventual complications in the Mediterranean, the clauses of the Montreux Convention are fully operative. Therefore, with the same title as every other Power signatory of such an instrument, Italy can ask for its application in respect of herself."



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THIS MAN MANNERHEIM

I have read somewhere that Dr. Tancred Borenius, who was sent as a Finnish emissary to London after the last war, is engaged upon a full-length biography of Marshal Mannerheim and that before long it will be published in English.

It is doubtful whether six months ago any English publisher would have considered it worth while to co-operate in such an enterprise. Up to the moment of the Russian invasion the great majority of the people of this country knew even less about Mannerheim than they knew of Finland. They knew that Finland was cold and bleak and that it had produced many fine long-distance runners. But who or what was Mannerheim?

This man's name is now as familiar as that of Gamelin and the system of cunningly fortified defences which he established on the Carelian Isthmus is as famous as the Maginot Line itself.

His striking personality has no parallel in the war-politics of to-day. He is the outstanding soldier-politician of Europe. If he were the representative figure of a powerful nation his personal influence would be at least as great as that of a Roosevelt, a Stalin, a Hitler or a Lloyd George at the height of his career.

The Russian propagandists, and those Communists in different parts of the world who have not yet broken with Stalinism in its last repulsive phase, picture Mannerheim as a cruel monster, an oppressor of the poor, a White Guard reactionary of the lowest type whose evil presence has for years kept the toilers enslaved and but for whom the Finnish people would now be happy and peaceful co-partners in the enlightened Socialism of the Soviet State.

By his compatriots—whatever many of them may have thought of him in the bitter past—Mannerheim is now regarded beyond doubt as a national hero to whom at the crisis of their destiny they must look for salvation from the Russian hosts.

The Allied and neutral peoples see him as a brilliant and daring soldier, the supreme human expression of all the mingled guile and toughness of the Finnish resistance; and even the Germans, giving reluctant support to Stalin's Baltic campaign, have found it hard to disguise their respect for Mannerheim's strategy and Finnish courage.

It is of course not unnatural that the Soviet rulers should hate the very sound of his name. Not only did he once before prevent the Bolshevisation of Finland, but he is the very antithesis of their social philosophy.

Born in 1867 of an ancient Swedo-Finnish house, Mannerheim followed the example of many fellow-countrymen of his own class by entering the Russian Army.

As a young and handsome cavalry officer—well educated and intelligent—he was soon a popular figure in St. Petersburg society; and after playing a gallant part in the Russo-Japanese war he won further distinction by travelling through the wildest parts of Central Asia as a spy for the Tsar,

who then had grandiose designs upon the Chinese Empire.

When the Russian revolution broke out in 1917 Mannerheim escaped to Helsinki; and within a short time, confronted with a Red coup d'etat in his own country, he organised at the coastal town of Vaasa the Finnish White Guard, which, under his efficient direction, soon became a first-class fighting force.

He won recruits from nearly every class, including the peasants, to whom it seemed—as Mr. Hampden Jackson has pointed out in his fairminded history—that this was 1808 over again; that is to say another war to defend

By
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their holdings against the Russians who, whether they fought in the name of Tsar or Commissar, were always Russians.

In the ensuing civil conflict Mannerheim proved the value of his prolonged studies in the art of war. He conducted a skilful campaign, and virtually settled the issue in the battle for Tampere, the industrial city which the Reds had made their northern capital. On May 16, nearly four months after the outbreak of hostilities, he entered Helsinki in triumph. It is still, however, a matter of dispute whether he would have succeeded without the help, belated though it was, of German troops under General von der Goltz.

Mannerheim, whose position in Finnish politics was now assured, then had the difficult task of trying to persuade the Allies in the last months of the Great War that he was not under the direct influence of the German General Staff.

Not only, in fact, did he get recognition of the new Finnish Government but he also secured Allied help to deal with the threat of famine. As Regent of Finland he prepared a new Constitution, and, after a period of retirement, came back to reorganise Finland's defences.

Both his upbringing and his experiences in 1917 and 1918 had hardened him into an uncompromising anti-Bolshevik and this mental attitude coloured most of his political activities after the defeat of the Reds.

He was apt to suspect all movements of reform, all agitations to social betterment, as devices of the devil to bring back Bolshevism. He was harsh and unrelenting in his determination to resist Bolshevik tendencies in any real or fancied guise; and he did nothing to encourage a rapprochement with the Soviet Government.

Indeed, a foreign politician who knew Finland well in the post-war years, and knew Mannerheim, tells me that he was "stiff" and "arrogant" not only to Russian and other foreign diplomats but also to most persons
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Bringing Up Father



By George McManus





Rose Hobart is the pawn in this scene between Ian Hunter and Basil Rathbone in Universal's "Tower of London" at the King's Theatre. The 15th, century drama is set in England during the reigns of Edward IV and Richard III.

USUAL NAZI TECHNIQUE

London, To-day.
The Nazis seem to have realised at long last that all their excuses and blustering about their policy of attacking unarmed merchantships is now regarded as nothing but sheer murder.

Yesterday, therefore, in accordance with the usual Nazi technique of accusing the other side of one's own faults, the Germans accused the R.A.F. of having attacked an unarmed German merchant ship with bombers.

The allegation is denied by the Air Ministry.—Reuter.

THIS MAN MANNERHEIM

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not of his own rank and class; and that he was at the bottom of most Finnish intrigues the purpose of which was to nip in the bud attempts at a better Russo-Finnish understanding.

Whether that is so or not, it is certainly true that Mannerheim distrusted Russian approaches and had convinced himself that one day his country would again be called upon to defend its liberties against a Red invasion.

That is why he planned the Mannerheim Line, worked out a complete and detailed defensive strategy and trained to this end many thousands of specialists in ski-running, in shooting on skis, in forest lore, in camouflage, in night-marching and in individual initiative.

He was always a great admirer of Lawrence of Arabia; and I believe much of his strategy and many of his tactical devices have been deived from the Lawrence model. His foresight has been marvellously vindicated by recent events. His generalship, subtle as it is bold, conversative of life and of nervous energy, and yet taking at the right moment all necessary risks, provides an example of the art of elastic defence, modified to suit all conditions of fighting, which has won the admiration of the world.

His spirit is invincible. When he told the Finnish forces to fight unto the death, they gave him unquestioning obedience. If he has now told them that the time has come to cut losses and settle with the enemy, they will bow to his military and political judgment, knowing that the great Finnish aristocrat is the last man among them to agree to any compromise if he believes compromise can be avoided.

EMCO FOR SHORT

London, To-day.
The new British Balkan trading company, the English Commercial Corporation, mentioned by Sir John Simon in Commons on Wednesday, will be called "Emco" for convenience.—Reuter.

ARBITRATION OFFER

Washington, To-day.
The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, announced yesterday the United States had proposed to Mexico that the two-year old dispute regarding the Mexican expropriation of American oil companies should be submitted to arbitration.—Reuter.

KING HOLDS COUNCIL

London, To-day.
His Majesty the King held a Privy Council in Buckingham Palace yesterday morning, at which Sir Kingsley Wood and Sir Samuel Hoare took the oaths as Lord Privy Seal and Secretary of State for Air.

Lord Woolton, the new Minister of Food, was sworn in as a member of the Privy Council.

The King also received Mr. Morrison, the new Postmaster-General, and Lord Chatfield, who has relinquished his post as Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence.—Reuter.

CONFERENCE HELD IN BRUSSELS

Brussels, To-day.
A diplomatic conference was held in Brussels yesterday, at which reports were received from the Belgian Ambassadors in London, Paris, Rome, Berlin and The Hague.

The Belgian Premier was present and M. Spaak, Foreign Minister, presided.—Reuter.

HOW I SAW GRAND NATIONAL - BY C.O.

London, To-day.
The best story about the Aintree race was broadcast by the BBC last night. It concerned a certain Commanding Officer who wanted to see the race.

He accordingly arranged a route march to the Aintree course. When the men got there, they were dismissed until after the race.—Reuter.

R.A.A.F. FLIGHT

Sydney, To-day.
An American-built bomber supplied to the Royal Australian Air Force has just made a record one-day flight for Australia. It flew over 2,000 miles from Sydney to Perth.—Reuter.

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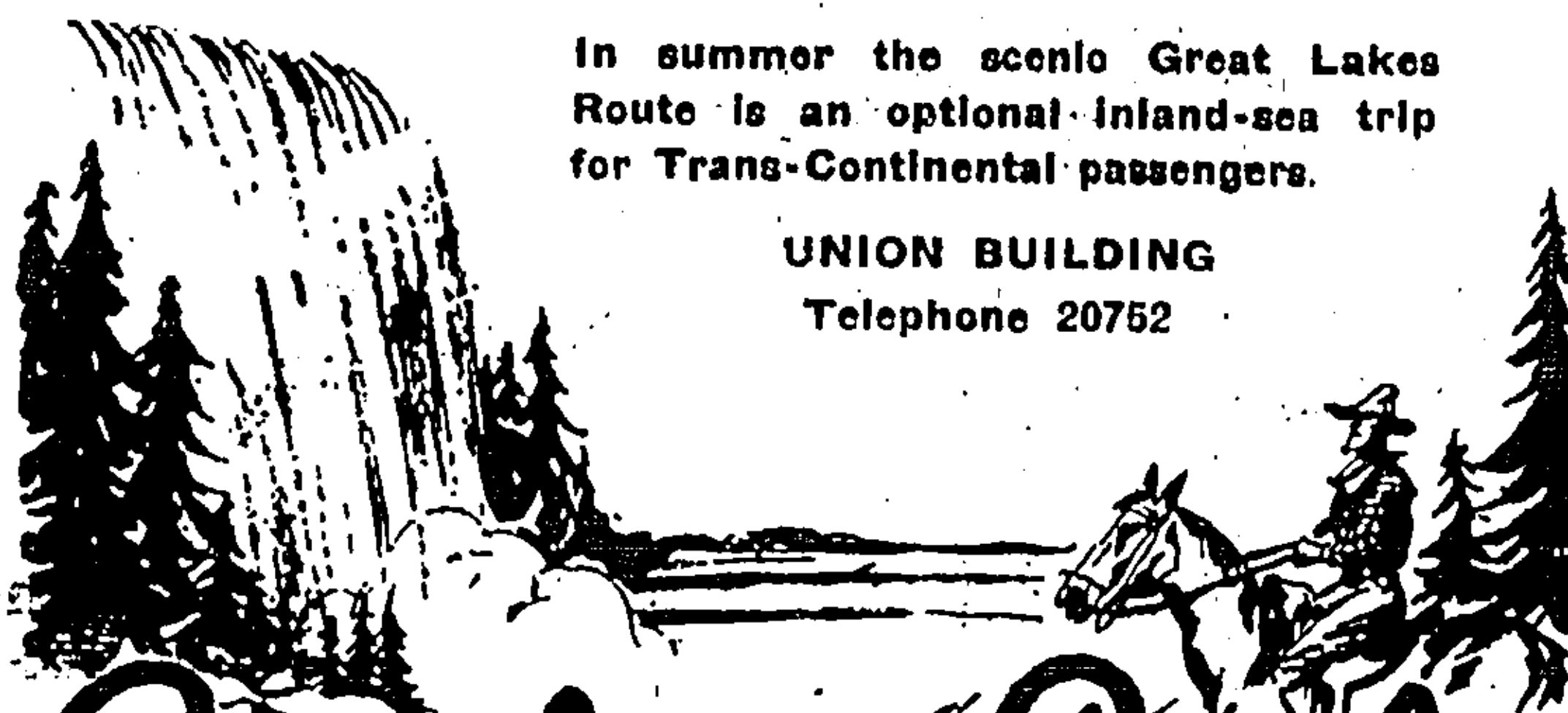
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Shanghai	April 6.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 31st March	April 7.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 30th March	April 7.
Australia and Manila	April 7.
Japan and Manila	April 7.
Japan and Shanghai	April 7.
Haiphong	April 7.
Shanghai and Amoy	April 7.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 5th March)	April 8.
Canton	April 8.
Haiphong and Fort Bayard	April 8.
Straits	April 8.
Bangkok and Tourane	April 8.
Haiphong and Hoihow	April 8.
Shanghai	April 9.
Shanghai	April 9.
Canton	April 9.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 3rd April	April 10.
Straits	April 10.
Manila	April 10.
Shanghai and Amoy	April 10.
Haiphong, Hoihow and Fort Bayard	April 10.
Rabaul	April 11.
Straits	April 11.

OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time.
SATURDAY		
Bangkok	Reg.,	Apr. 6, 1.30 p.m.
Parcels only for Shanghai	Ord.,	Apr. 6, 2.30 p.m.
Parcels only for Shanghai and Tientsin	Reg.,	Apr. 6, 5.00 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 14th April.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	Apr. 6, 5.00 p.m.
Japan	Reg.,	Apr. 6, 5.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Ord.,	Apr. 6, 5.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Reg.,	Apr. 6, 5.30 p.m.
SUNDAY		
Dairen	Reg.,	Apr. 7, 8.30 a.m.
Saigon	Ord.,	Apr. 7, 9.00 a.m.
MONDAY		
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 14th April.	K.P.O.	Apr. 6, 5.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 6, 5.30 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 6, 5.30 p.m.
Manila	Reg.,	Apr. 6, 5.00 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Ord.,	Apr. 6, 7.30 a.m.
Bangkok	Reg.,	Apr. 8, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Ord.,	Apr. 8, 10.30 a.m.
Canton	Reg.,	Apr. 8, 12.30 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 8, 1.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 8, 7.00 p.m.
TUESDAY		
Batavia and Sourabaya	Reg.,	Apr. 9, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada only)—due San Francisco, 28th April.	K.P.O. & G.P.O.	Apr. 9, 9.00 a.m.
Saigon	Reg.,	Apr. 9, 9.04 a.m.
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Naples—due Naples, 3rd May.	Ord.,	Apr. 9, 11.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 17th April.	Reg.,	Apr. 9, 1.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 9, 1.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 9, 2.45 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 9, 3.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 9, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 9, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 9, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 9, 7.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 9, 5.00 p.m.
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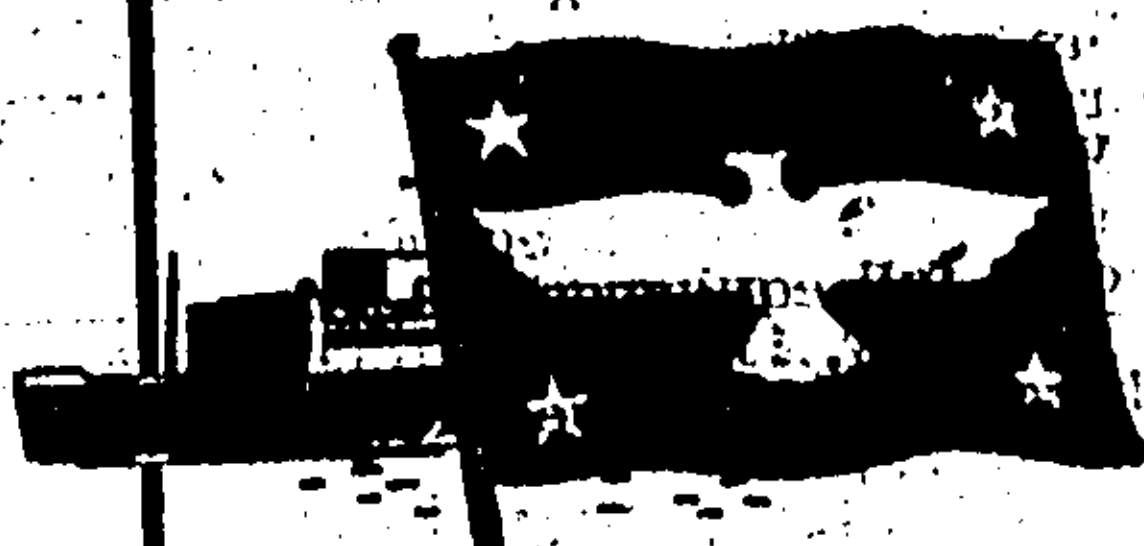
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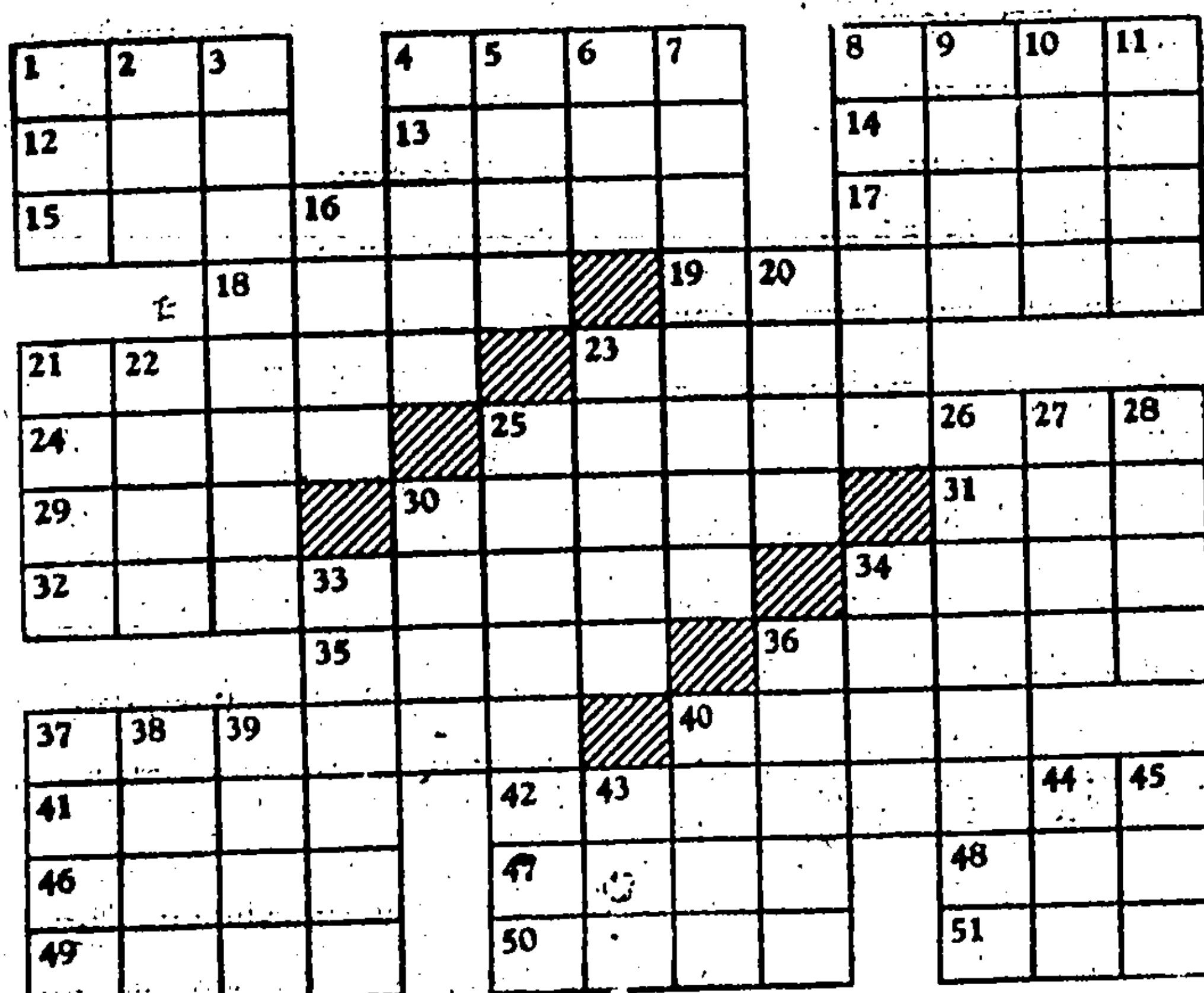
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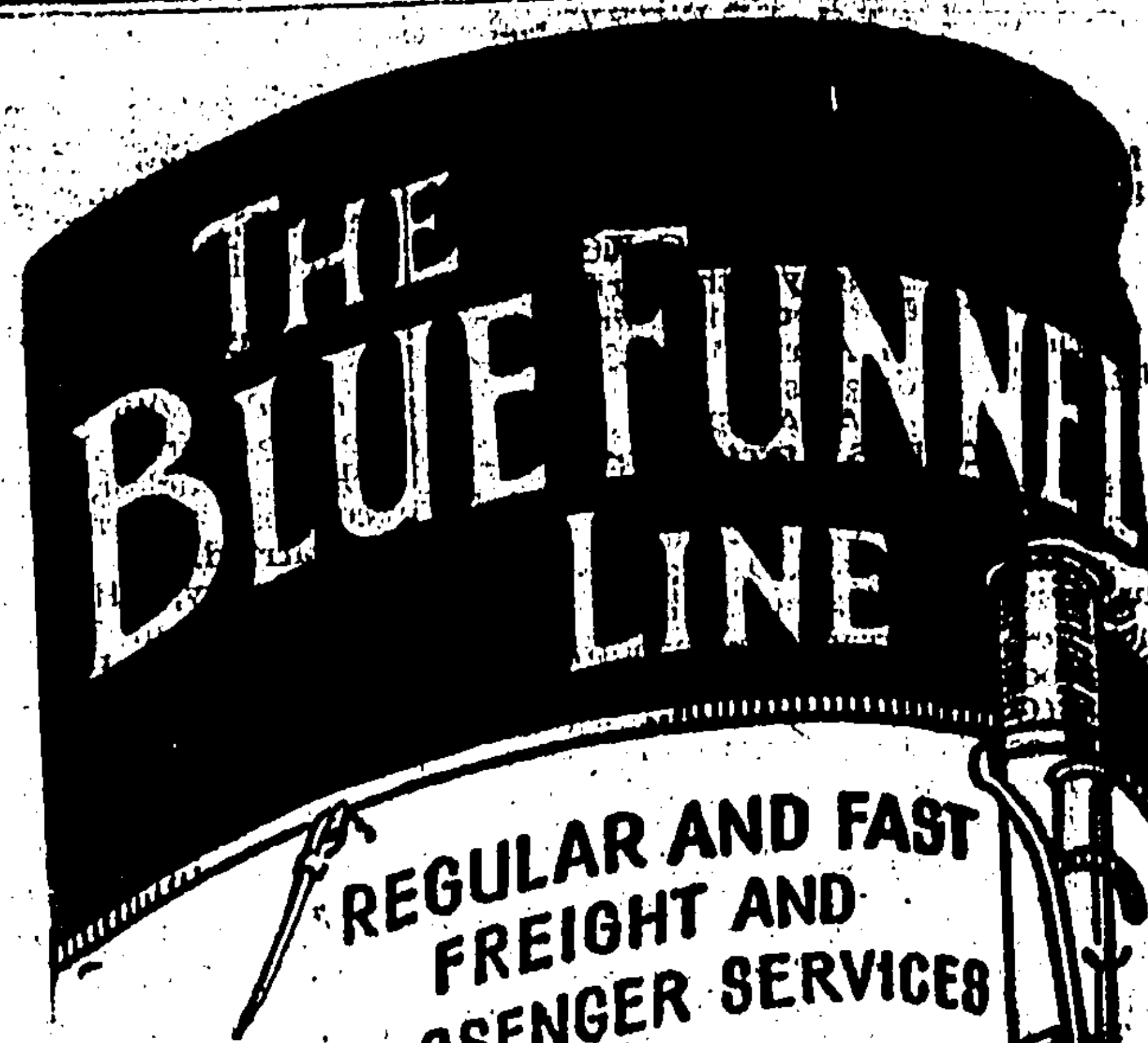
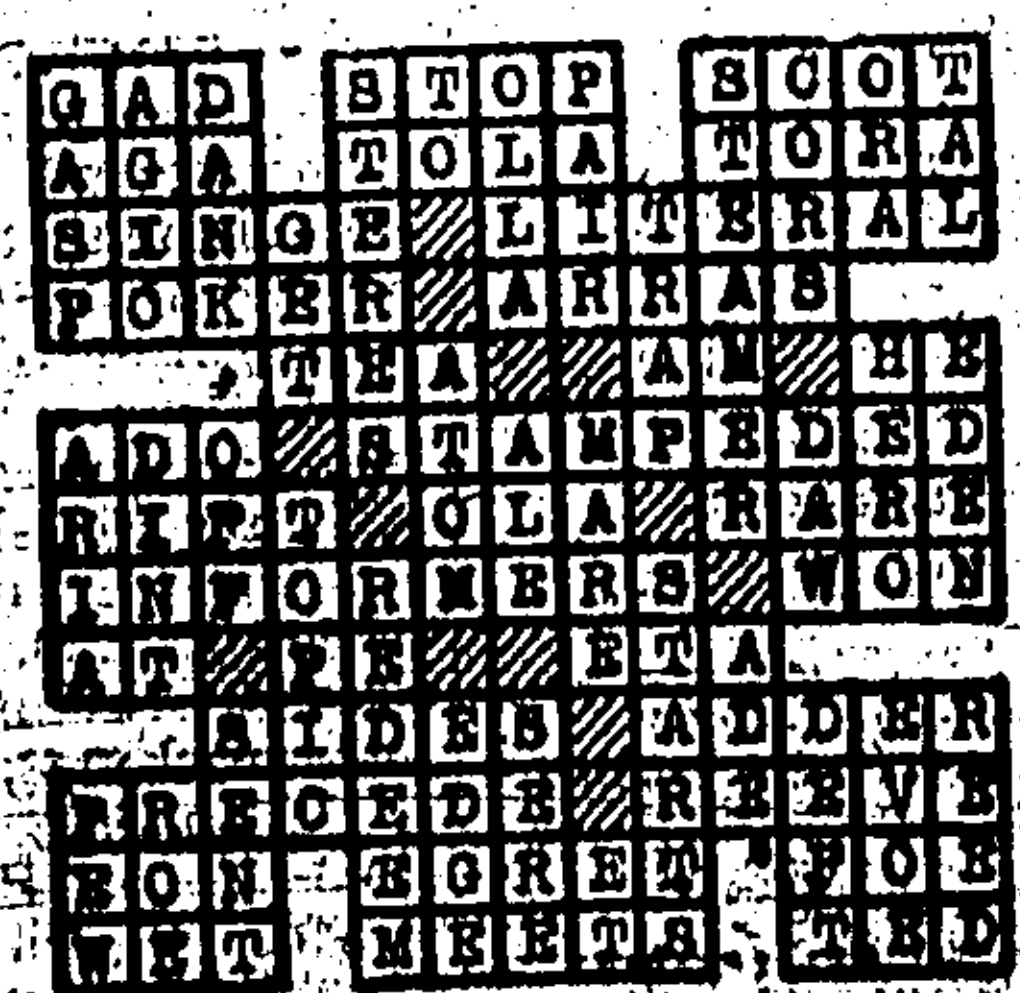
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- 1 Poisonous snake
- 4 Male deer
- 8 Tears
- 12 To hinder
- 13 Worry
- 14 Great Lake
- 15 Windflowers
- 17 To yawn
- 18 Tune
- 19 Saxon lords
- 21 Winged
- 23 Two-fold
- 24 Bellhop
- 25 Trapped
- 29 First woman
- 30 Worshipped
- 31 Silkworm
- 32 Dooms
- 34 To check
- 35 Brackets
- 36 Ball
- 37 To power
- 40 To breathe with difficulty
- 41 Noise-maker
- 42 Young rabbit
- 46 Medicinal plant

VERTICAL

- 1 Nautical instrument
- 2 Spanish for "Saint"
- 3 Foretells
- 4 Scottish cake
- 5 Taste
- 6 Part of "to be"
- 7 Motions
- 8 To entertain
- 9 Persia
- 10 Tube
- 11 Envisions
- 16 Small particle
- 20 To give
- 21 Mimicked
- 22 To wash
- 23 Cooling birds
- 25 Competition
- 26 Penetrates again
- 27 Norse explorer
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Orders by Lieut. Colonel H. B. Rose, M. C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

HONG KONG.

Friday, 5th April, 1940.

Orderly Medical Officer

Friday, 12th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Lt. A. M. Rodrigues.

PARADES

CORPS ARTILLERY

Dress for Other Ranks detailed for Training Exercise—Fighting Order i.e.—S.D. caps, K.D. jackets, K.D. trousers, boots, web belt, braces, pouches, haversack, waterbottle (filled), box respirators, rifle, steel helmets (Overall and gun platform shoes to be carried) greatcoats.

Ground sheets and haversack rations will be issued.

1ST BATTERY

Tuesday, 9th April. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. D.R.F. Class under 2/Lt. H. S. Jones and Sergt. Sleep. Dress—Overalls.

Thursday, 11th April. H. Q. 4.45 p.m. Battery parade for Training Exercises. Dress as detailed above.

2ND BATTERY

Sunday, 7th April. Peak Range. 9.00 a.m. Table A. Range Officer—Lt. K.M.A. Barnett. Dress—K.D. trousers, K.D. jacket, S.D. cap, complete web equipment, lanyard, no bayonet. Greatcoat to be carried. Rifles where issued. Peak Tramway vouchers are available on application. Cash Canteen provided. Lunch should be taken in haversack. All ranks must attend this parade.

Wednesday, 10th April. (i) H. Q. 5.00 p.m. Training Exercise. Right Section D.E.L. ("A") and B. C. Staff as detailed, under Lt. K.M.A. Barnett. (ii) H. Q. 10.45 p.m. Left Section D. E. L. ("B") and relief B. C. Staff as detailed under 2nd Lt. S. J. G. Burt. Dress as detailed above.

3RD BATTERY

Monday, 8th April. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. All ranks excluding D.E.L. Section. Lecture by B.Q.M.S. (I.G.) E. C. Ford, R.A. Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps.

Wednesday, 10th April. Training Exercise. All Ranks. (i) First detail. H.Q. 4.30 p.m. Second detail. H.Q. 10.30 p.m. Dress—As detailed above.

4TH BATTERY

Monday, 8th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Camp pay. All ranks must attend.

Tuesday, 9th April. H. Q. (not Queen's Pier). Those detailed. Training Exercise. Rifles, respirators, ground sheets and steel helmets will be drawn at H. Q. Drinking mugs must be carried.

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Friday, 12th April. Queen's Pier. 5.30 p.m. No. 2 Gun D.E.L. personnel "A" relief, B. C. Staff "B" relief. Dress—as detailed above.

5TH A.A. BATTERY

Sunday, 7th April. Queen's Pier. 9.30 a.m. No. 2 Section. Dress—Overalls. Tuesday, 9th April. Queen's Pier. 5 p.m. Training Exercise. Dress—Steel helmet, Jacket, trousers, belt and greatcoat. Overalls and G. P. shoes to be carried.

Thursday, 11th April. (i) Queen's Pier. 5.15 p.m. No. 2 Section. Dress—Overalls. (ii) H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Section. Dress—Jacket and trousers. General drill.

FIELD COMPANY ENGINEERS

Monday, 8th April. K.C.R. 8.30 a.m. or Queen's Pier. 8.50 a.m. Dress—S.D. cap, jackets, trousers, overcoats to be carried, respirators, knives and piers.

Tuesday, 9th April. K.C.R. 3.00 p.m. Those detailed. Dress as for Monday. Thursday, 11th April. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Technical training by Sections.

CORPS SIGNALS

Sunday, 7th April. H. Q. 1.30 p.m. for Taikoo Range. Rifle practice.

Monday, 8th April. H. Q. 5.15 p.m. Line Section only. Preparing stores for exercises.

Wednesday, 10th April. Training Exercises as detailed.

Thursday, 11th April. Training Exercises as detailed.

Friday, 12th April. H. Q. 5.15 p.m. Returning stores.

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Monday, 8th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. A Class. Map Reading and message writing. B and C Classes. Mechanism.

Friday, 12th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. A, B and C Classes. Musketry and Rifle drill. Those detailed. N.C.O.'s. Promotion examinations.

MOTORMACHINE GUN PLATOON

Monday, 8th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. A, B and C. Classes. Map reading and message writing.

Friday, 12th April. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s. Promotion Examinations.

NO. 1 COMPANY

Sunday, 7th April. Stonecutters. Rifle Tables A and B. All those who have not already fired. For details see para. 3 below.

Tuesday, 9th April. H. Q. 5.15 p.m. for Kennedy Road Range. Squad No. 3. Remainder H.Q. 5.30 p.m. as Company programme.

Thursday, 11th April. Training Exercises. For details see Company circular.

Friday, 12th April. Squad No. 4. H. Q. 5.15 p.m. for Kennedy Road Range. Remainder. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. as Company programme.

NO. 2 COMPANY

Tuesday, 9th April. H. Q. 5.15 p.m. N.C.O.'s. reconnaissance. Dress—Fighting Order. Rifle will be carried by all personnel except Gun Nos. 1 and 2.

NO. 3 COMPANY

Monday, 8th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Training as in programme. Steel hel-

rets and rifles will be drawn at this parade.

Wednesday, 10th April. H. Q. 1.45 p.m. Dress—Steel helmets, jackets, shorts, full equipment.

Thursday, 11th April. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed. There will be no Company parade.

NO. 4 COMPANY

Tuesday, 9th April. H. Q. 2 p.m. Company parade for the Training Exercise. Dress—Fighting Order. Shorts, full equipment, steelhelmets. Drinking mugs to be brought.

Friday, 12th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. L.G. I.A.

NO. 5 COMPANY

Thursday, 11th April. H. Q. 2 p.m. Training Exercise. Dress—Fighting Order. Steel helmets, shorts, respirators, 1s and 2s on guns will not carry rifles.

NO. 6 COMPANY

Wednesday, 10th April. H. Q. 1.45 p.m. Training Exercise. Dress—Fighting Order. Steel helmets, shorts, respirators, 1s and 2s on guns will not carry rifles.

NO. 7 COMPANY

Monday, 8th April. No parade.

Tuesday, 9th April. H. Q. 2.00 p.m. Training Exercise. Dress—Fighting Order. Steel helmets, shorts.

Thursday, 11th April. H. Q. 5.45 p.m. L. G. training I. A. Stoppages and Section drill.

ARMY SERVICE CORPS COMPANY

Parades Nil except as under.

Training Exercises—9.4.40 to 12.4.40 inclusive. Those detailed from Transport Section will report for duty to the C.S.M. at H.Q. on dates and times ordered. Dress—K.D. jackets, trousers, S.D. caps, boots, belt, haversack, respirator.

Corps Rifle Meeting—14.4.40.

Members competing should communicate with Lt. Strellett if they require any information.

FIELD AMBULANCE

Wednesday, 10th April. Murray Parade Ground. 5.30 p.m.

Friday, 12th April. St. Paul's College. 5.30 p.m.

RIFLE CLASSIFICATION CASUALS

Sunday, 7th April. Stonecutters. Launch leaves Queen's Pier. 8.30 a.m.

and Kowloon Police Pier 8.40 a.m. Dress—Mufti but webbing belt will be worn. Range Officer—Capt. F. J. W. Fochen.

APPOINTMENT

4244, Gnr. G. A. L. Plummer, 5th A. A. Bty. L/Bdr. 28.3.40.

TRANSFERS

3402, Gnr. L. A. R. Duncan, 1st Bty. A. S. C. Coy. 9.3.40.

4191, Gnr. W. L. Yang, 5th A. A. Bty. Unit Res. 3.4.40.

2055, L/Cpl. L. A. Hurlow, M. M. G. Pl. Mob. Col. H. Q. 5.4.40.

CORPS ORDERS—AMENDMENT

Corps Orders No. 25/40. Para. 6. LEAVE.

Sgt. J. L. Ilsley, 1st Bty. for period "24.4.40-5.6.40." read "18.4.40. to 31.5.40."

Gnr. W. L. Yang, 5th A. A. Bty. for period "11.3.40-10.5.40." read "11.3.40-



Many a young couple plunge into marriage only to learn the marriage knot turns out to be a rope around their necks.

10.3.41."

Annexure to Corps Orders No. 23/40 of the 15.3.40.

5th A.A. Battery . . . for "5 p.m. Wednesday, 10th April, to 8.30 a.m. Thursday, 11th April." substitute "5 p.m. Tuesday, 9th April, to 8.30 a.m. Wednesday, 10th April, to 8.30 a.m. Wednesday, 10th April."

This cancels the previous amendment in Corps Orders No. 24/40 of the 21/3/40.

LEAVE

3291, Pte. C. M. Lee, No. 7 Coy. 31.12.39-30.6.41.

3686, Gnr. F. Burrell, 2nd Bty. 1.4.40-30.9.40.

3543, Pte. S. M. Garrard, No. 1 Coy. 1.4.40-1.12.40.

2759, Pte. T. A. Kuester, No. 1 Coy. 1.4.40-1.5.40.

4315, Gnr. J. Hart-Davis, 2nd Bty. 8.4.40-17.4.40.

3407, Gnr. N. P. Fox, 2nd Bty. 11.4.40-10.10.40.

3800, Pte. J. R. L. Stanton, Corps H. Q. 15.4.40-14.10.40.

STRENGTH-DECREASE

3835, Gnr. A. F. Xavier, 3rd Bty. 20.3.40.

3387, Gnr. W. B. Richardson, 2nd Bty. 23.3.40.

3535, Spr. W. J. McKinna, Fd. Coy. Engineerings 10.4.40.

STRENGTH-INCREASE

4316, Pte. J. C. C. Matthews, No. 1 Coy. 5.3.40.

4317, Gnr. W. C. Kwok, 5th A. A. Bty. 12.3.40.

4318, Pte. N. G. Hammond, M. M. G. Pl. 18.3.40.

4319, Gnr. Lee Wing Yan, 5th A. A. Bty. 26.3.40.

4320, Pte. Joseph Lam, Fd. Ambulance 29.3.40.

4321, Pte. Mark Yan Ming, Fd. Ambulance 29.3.40.

4322, Pte. Jong Siu Ki, No. 7 Coy. 1.4.40.

E. N. THURSBY.

Captain,

Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICE

Sergeants' Mess Committee Meeting

There will be a Sergeants' Mess Committee Meeting at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, April in the Sergeants' Mess.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

HONORARY APPOINTMENT

Mrs. A. E. Grasett has kindly consented to become Honorary Command Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

LECTURE

The next lecture will be held on Friday, 12th April at 5.30 p.m. in the St. Johns Cathedral Hall. The subject will be "Home Nursing" and it is hoped that all members will endeavour to attend.

ATTACHMENT

The undermentioned member was attached to the Military Hospital for training during the period shown:—

Miss I. Hibbard—25.3.40 to 1.4.40.

EMERGENCY PRACTICE

It has been decided to hold an "Emergency" practice for the Nursing Detachment, at the Military Hospital, Bowen Road on Tuesday, 9th April at 4.30 p.m. All members taking part have been notified by circular. Those who are unable to go direct to the Military Hospital will be provided with transport from Volunteer. H. Q. between 6-5.30 p.m. All members must provide themselves with white shoes and stockings, and be prepared to remain on duty for three hours.

APPOINTMENT

Mrs. V. Simon White is appointed Quartermaster with effect from 5.4.40.

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LAWN BOWLS WINTER PRACTICE SEASON STARTING

Marking their opening of 1940 lawn bowls season, Kowloon Cricket Club this afternoon will entertain Kowloon Football Club in a friendly match at Cox's Road, commencing at 3.30 p.m. sharp.

Following are the teams:—

K.C.C.
V. C. Labrum, J. Smith, J. W. M. Brown and J. Fraser (Skip).
T. Madar, A. Tribble, A. Spary and E. C. Fincher (Skip).
W. Naef, J. Hempsey, J. M. Jack and E. Kern (Skip).
C. J. Tacchi, W. Hobbs, G. C. Moss and L. Jack (Skip).

K.F.C.
G. Frost, J. Dobson, P. Morgan and C. Dowman (Skip).
B. Thomson, P. Younghusband, W. Simpson and J. C. Brown (Skip).
J. Gibson, J. Smalley, R. Hall and V. Allenza (Skip).
G. Cross, C. Woodcock, R. Hughes and V. Chittenden (Skip).
Reserves: C. Fuller and W. Groves.

TO-DAY'S HOCKEY

Following is to-day's hockey programme and some of the teams:—

LADIES
Brawn Cup
"Y" Ladies v Argonauts (C.B.A., 3 p.m.)
St. Andrew's v D.G.S. (D.G.S., 3 p.m.)
Friendly
"Y" Ladies v St. Andrew's ("Y", 3 p.m.)
MEN
Y.M.C.A. 1st v Khalsa ("Y", 4.15 p.m.)
Y.M.C.A. 2nd v R.A.S.C. (U.S.R.C. ground)

TEAMS
"Y" Ladies 2nd:—Miss Bruce, Mrs. Trimmer and Miss Kenniston; Miss Dunne, Miss Stokes and Mrs. Ashman; Mrs. Bicknell, Mrs. Moss, Mrs. Fowler, Mrs. Macklin and Mrs. Peters.

Y.M.C.A. 1st:—Benwell, Jordan and Yourieff; Kempton, Pennington and Waldron; Bates, Gemmell, White, Colledge and Walls.
Y.M.C.A. 2nd:—Millington, Killeen and Grant; Smits, Highlands and Baldwin; Banks, Dormer, Taylor, Gilchrist and Ireson.

BADMINTON

UNIVERSITY 'A' WIN EASILY

University "A" beat Recreio "A" in the men's doubles section of the Badminton League yesterday by 7 games to 2.

P. K. Hui and K. L. Yong (Univ.) beat J. J. Remedios and L. A. Carvalho 21—15
beat M. A. Oliveira and J. M. Silva 21—17
beat H. D. Noronha and C. C. Pereira 21—6
P. F. Bun and M. S. Lin (Univ.) beat Remedios and Carvalho 21—17
beat Oliveira and Silva 21—11
beat Noronha and Pereira 21—2
H. F. Chiu and C. K. Lee (Univ.) lost to Remedios and Carvalho 18—21
lost to Oliveira and Silva 21—23
beat Noronha and Pereira 21—11

EXTRA FOOD TO CURE ALL NAZI ILLS

Dr. Loerrke, leader of the Berlin Medical Association, has warned the German public that "A doctor should not be called in the middle of the night nowadays just because a woman faints as a part of a family quarrel, nor should a patient ask his physician to prescribe extra butter as a cure for flat feet."

The man who wanted extra butter is not the only one with ideas about eking out his ration. Another citizen who suffered from a mysterious brain disorder said he felt much better when he could have 4lb. or 5lb. of meat, 14 eggs and 12 pints of milk a week.

"Anybody who thinks he can get away with this kind of claim must indeed have something wrong with his brains," comments the Nachtausgabe.

GRAPHIC GOLF



By BEST BALL

There are numerous advantages to be derived from a regular use of a practice net in the winter. Possibly most important is the opportunity it offers for allowing the golfer to keep his head down. Trying to change one's regular playing routine during the summer months is difficult for the average player. Even the best resolutions are broken in the stress of a round which threatens to be close. It is natural to look up to see where the ball is going and, unless the golfer has made a habit of staying down to the ball, the fault is likely to occur unconsciously. To eliminate this possibility, it is up to the golfer to develop his form that he will do the right thing without a severe mental and physical struggle.

The cure lies in the practice net but the golfer must take the remedy regularly for a complete recovery. There is plenty of temptation even here. How can the golfer know how near the centre of the target his ball is hitting unless he watches it. The point is he won't unless someone does the checking for him. However if the golfer is really concerned with his form, it will not matter where his ball lands so long as he adheres to his resolution to keep his head down. Practice hitting the ball accurately, keeping the head down and letting the sphere land where it may. If the player perseveres until this process becomes a habit, he can rest assured that the ball is travelling more accurately than ever before.

Next Article:—Shots in Heavy Grass.

YESTERDAY'S TENNIS RESULTS

The following were the results of the Open Tennis Championships and Club Championships played yesterday:

OPEN SINGLES

Pang Oi-lam beat A. Crawford 6—3, 11—9.
Tentile Kwok beat Wai Chung 6—1, 7—5.

Open Doubles

Wong Fuk-nam and Lam Kwan received a walk-over from T. C. Monaghan and T. J. Gould.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

C. D. N. Walker and E. L. Taverner beat T. A. Pearce and F. D. Hunter 6—4, 2—6, 6—3.

R. K. Valentine and L. M. S. Lloyd received a walk-over from V. R. Gordon and H. J. Armstrong.

The match between A. Lade and G. W. Sewell and W. G. Harvey and A. H. Barwell was not finished.

HANDICAP SINGLES

G. C. Burnett beat E. Zalauf 6—1, 8—6.

HANDICAP MIXED DOUBLES

C. B. and Mrs. Nicholson received a walk-over from D. G. G. Allen and Miss J. Perkins.

BOGSKAR'S GREAT WIN IN GRAND NATIONAL

Liverpool, To-day.

WITH A BRILLIANT finishing burst along the final flat Bogskar, owned and trained by Lord Stalbridge, won the Grand National Steeplechase beating Captain's Scott Brigg's, MacMoffat by four lengths with Mr. J. Neill's Gold Arrow third, six lengths behind.

There were 30 starters and Bogskar covered the course in 9 minutes 3/5 seconds.

Royal Danielle, a four to one favourite, led nearly the whole of the first circuit and disputed the lead for most of the way with MacMoffat who took up the running, beginning from second circuit, but was overtaken by Golden Arrow, which looked like providing a sensation.

MacMoffat regained the lead and was two lengths ahead of Bogskar two fences from home, where Royal Danielle fell.

MacMoffat was first over the last fence but was unable to resist the strong challenge of Bogskar whose time was only one fifth second outside Golden Miller's 1934 record.

Kilstar, a hot overnight favourite, finished 12th.

The winning jockey is Meryyn Jones, a sergeant in the Royal Air Force who has never previously ridden over the course.

Lack of travelling facilities, rather than fear of Hitler's bombs reduced the normal crowd by 25 per cent.

The mass of khaki and blue was reminiscent of the Grand Military meeting at Sandown.

The large number of jockeys in the Services looked peculiar with their service coats over their silk colours.

Second Act was badly injured when it fell and had to be destroyed.

PHARAOH TOMB TREASURES

When the sarcophagus of King Psusennes was opened in the presence of King Farouk, it was seen to contain some of the most beautiful silver and gold that has ever been found in Egyptian excavations.

Prof. Montet, of Strasbourg University, who found the sarcophagus on the site of the ancient city of Tanis, said the contents were of the greatest value to Egyptologists.

Directly inside the granite sarcophagus was a second, of solid silver, carved in the likeness of the king, while yet a third, 6ft. long and with a gold covering over silver-gilt, was also beautifully sculptured in the king's effigy.

Around the actual remains of the mummy, now no more than a heap of sodden dust, was a collection of gold jewellery, including bracelets and necklaces, composed of gold, rubies, lapis lazuli and scarabs.

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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Cicely Courtneidge and Jack Hulbert in Musical Comedy.
The Sunshine Cruise (McLaren & Others); Humpty, Dumpty (Ray)...Cicely Courtneidge with Orchestra.
If You Want To Dance (from 'Under your Hat')...Jack Hulbert & The Rhythm Brothers with Orchestra.
Together Again (from 'Under your Hat')...Cicely Courtneidge & Jack Hulbert with Orchestra.
The Girl In The Post Office (Jeans)...Cicely Courtneidge & Company.
You're Sweeter than I thought You Were (from 'Jack of all Trades'); Where There's You There's Me (from 'Jack of

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all Trades')...Jack Hulbert (Vocal) with Orchestra.
The Empire Depends on You (from 'Under Your Hat')...Cicely Courtneidge with Orchestra.
Keep It Under Your Hat (from 'Under Your Hat')...Cicely Courtneidge, Jack Hulbert & The Rhythm Brothers with Orchestra.
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Songs by Leslie Hutchinson at the Piano.

1.13 p.m.—The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—Alone at a table for two; Waltz—Lovely Lady (film 'King of Burlesque'); Fox-Trot—The Merry-Go-Round Broke Down; Paso-Doble—Le Touquet; Waltz—Music In May (from 'Careless Rapture'); Slow Fox-Trot—It's A Sin to Tell a Lie.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Folk Music of all Nations.
Litenietis (Latvian); Clap Dance (German); Hattamageren (Danish)...Folk Dance Orchestra cond. by Victor Olof.
The American Square Dance (Jig Time); The American Square Dance (Reel Time)...Folk Dance Orchestra cond. by Ronnie Munro.
English County Songs: A Sad Ending (Trad.—arr. Crisewood); Oliver Cromwell (Broadwood-Maitland); The Berkshire Tragedy (Broadwood-Maitland)...Our Bill (F. H. Crisewood) with Piano accomp.
Meg Merriless (arr. Diack); Glasgow Highlanders (arr. Diack)...Scottish Country Dance Orchestra cond. by Michael Diack.
The Hole In The Wall (arr. Arnold Foster); Draper's Maggot (arr. Arnold Foster)...Folk Dance Orchestra cond. by Arnold Foster.

Dance Music:
Borodin
Symphony

Orch.—Destiny (Baynes)...De Groot & His Orchestra.
Vocal—Thanks for the Memory (film 'Big Broadcast of 1938')...Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—There's A Small Hotel (from 'On your Toes')...Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
Vocal—Blue Skies (Berlin)...Maxine Sullivan & Her Orchestra.
8.45 p.m.—London Relay—'At the Black Dog'. Mr. Wilkes in his own bar-parlour.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 p.m.—B.O.C. Recording—'A Northern Evening from Burlington'.
10.00 p.m.—Local Sport Results.
10.02 p.m.—More Variety Requests.
Vocal—Medcalf Rose (Tennery)...Bing Crosby with Orchestra.
Piano—Charlie Kunz' War Time Piano Medley...Charlie Kunz.
Vocal—Little Drummer Boy (Noel, Pelosi)...Gracie Fields with Orchestra.
Novelty Fox-Trot—The Fairy on the Christmas Tree...The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra with Vocal Chorus.
Vocal—Empty Saddles (Hill)...Bing Crosby with Orchestra.
Orch.—'Firefly'—Selection (Friml & Others)...Louis Levy & His Gaumont-British Symphony.
Vocal—Canoe Song (film 'Sanders of the River')...Paul Robeson (Bass) with Orch. and Chorus.
Waltz—Sparkling Waters of Walkid...Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.
Chorus—John Peel (Trad.); Ten Green Green Bottles (Trad.)...Harold Williams and The B.B.C. Male Chorus with Piano.
Waltz—Blue Hawaii...Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.
Vocal—Trees (Kilmer-Rasbach)...Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra.
Waltz—That Naughty Waltz (Levy)...Victor Young & His Orchestra.
Vocal—A House Love Made for You and Me (Johnstone-E. Coates)...Hubert Elsdell (Tenor) with Instru. accomp.
Vocal—La Danza (Rossini)...Millza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Vocal—Without A Song (film 'The Prodigal')...Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone) with Orchestra.
11.00 p.m.—London Relay—'London Log'.
11.15 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—Is That The Way To Treat A Sweetheart?; Small Fry...Music in the Russ Morgan Manner.
Tangos—Tango Espanol; Tango Illusion...Robert Renard Dance Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—Let's Give Three Cheers for Love (film 'College Rhythm'); Stay as Sweet as you Are (film 'College Rhythm')...Tom Coakley & His Palace Hotel Orchestra.
Waltzes—Ferdinand The Bull (from the film); The Umbrella Man (from 'These Foolish Things')...Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—Flip, Flop...Joe Venuti & His Orchestra.
Quicksteps—Make Believe; Moon Love...Victor Silvester & His Ballroom Orch.
Slow Fox-Trot—Temple Block Swing.
Quickstep—Music Hall Rag...Joe Daniels & His Hot Shots in 'Drumsticks'.
Fox-Trot—Skronch...Fats' Waller, His Rhythm & Orchestra.
12.00 midnight—Close down.



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AN UNSOUND REBID

A Chicago reader submits a hand with an interesting observation. He says: "I often think that authorities should advocate two different sets of opening bids. One set of light opening bids should be used only by good players; but for those who are unable to get the most out of their cards, I would recommend much stronger opening bids. For example:

North, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable
♠ A J 7 4
♥ 9 6 5 2
♦ J 5
♣ A J 9
♠ K 10 6 2
♥ A Q 8 4
♦ 10 7
♣ K 5 3
N
W
E
S
♠ Q 8 5
♥ 3
♦ Q 9 4 3 2
♣ Q 10 8 2
♠ 9 3
♥ K J 10 7
♦ A K 8 6
♣ 7 6 4

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Pass	

"I was sitting West and decided on the risky procedure of doubling the three-heart contract. I opened a club.

Dummy's nine was played, my partner won with the ten and returned his trump. When South played the seven, I covered with the eight and dummy's nine won.

"South evidently concluded that my partner held the heart Queen, for he now made the fatal mistake of returning a trump and I then finished the job for him by playing three rounds and eliminating the entire suit. Now, since South had passed up the opportunity to win tricks by ruffing, all he could make were his high cards, which totalled six tricks. The result was that he

was credited with an 800-point penalty."

We would like to comment on South's opening bid. Actually it was perfectly sound, and we ourselves would not hesitate to open the hand. However, we would have passed our partner's one-spade response, for since he had passed originally, a game would appear exceedingly remote and therefore there would be no point in continuing to bid. As to the play, in a hand of this type we would never touch trumps, but instead try to make as many of them as possible by ruffing diamonds in dummy and spades in our hand. Had South followed this line of play, he would have been set only one trick.

Yesterday both sides were vulnerable, the opponents had 80 on score. You were Howard Schenken's partner and held:

♠ A x x
♥ A J x
♦ Q x x x
♣ J x x

The bidding:

Schenken	Jacoby	You	Burnstone
Pass	1♣	Dbl.	Pass
2♠	Pass	(?)	

ANSWER: Pass. While partner's bid was theoretically forcing, his strength his limited since he passed originally. Furthermore, your double was weak and justified only because of the opponents' part score.

Score 100% for pass, 40% for three spades, 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 377

You are David Bruce Burnstone's partner and hold:

♠ A K 9 x x x
♥ x
♦ K J
♣ K Q J

The bidding:

Maier	Burnstone	Jacoby	You
Pass	Pass	Pass	(?)

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IMPORTANT WEEK-END SOCCER FIXTURES

Runners-Up Position In Senior Division At Stake

THE 1940 RACING GUIDE

Following gives all placed ponies in every race, the distance, the time, won by, weight and jockey, and the figure AM1 denotes the first day of the Annual Meeting, 1st E. First Extra Meeting:

China Ponies

Half Mile:—

1.05.3—Valorous (Treverton, 155); 2. Radium Star (Hoo Pak-ming, 160); 3. The Tigress (R. K. C. Chui, 160). 1½ and 1½. 2nd E.1.

¼ Mile 170 Yards:—

1.02.4 (record)—Spiclight (Moller, 164); 2. Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161); 3. White Diamond (Ph, 158). ½ and many. A.M.3.

1.04.3 (record)—Racylight (Moller, 161); 2. Possible (Tang Man Wa, 158); 3. White Diamond (Ph, 158). 4 and 2. A.M.2.

1.11.2—Rose Evelyn (Treverton, 158); 2. Portrush (Yeung Wing-kwai, 151); 3. Wilber (Ho Hong-ping, 150). 1½ and 2. 1st E.

1.12.0—Palmer (Wei, 153); 2. Lucky Eleven (Liang, 147); 3. Arabian Cat (Black, 150). ¾ and ½. A.M.5.

Six Furlongs:—

1.21.2 (record)—Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161); 2. Craigavad (Encarnacao, 161); 3. Eve of Folly (Proulx, 158). 6 and many. A.M.4.

1.22.4 (record)—Spiclight (Moller, 161); 2. Craigavad (Liang, 161); 3. Possible (Wei, 158). 6 and ½. A.M.1.

1.23.1—Eve of Heaven (Marshall, 156); 2. Humdrum Eve (Ph, 151); 3. Lilliber (Gram, 152). 2 and dead heat. A.M.2.

1.23.3—Dupont Bay (Black, 161); 2. Possible (Tang Man-wa, 158) and White Diamond (Ph, 158). 2½ and dead heat. 1st E.

1.25.2—Lancashire Lass (Chao, 154); 2. Oak Bay (Needa, 148); 3. Peaceful View (Ph, 158). 1½ and 1. A.M.2.

1.26.1—White Diamond (Ph, 158); 2. Hopeful Star (Hearne, 159); 3. Oonagh (Needa, 150). 4 and 2. 2nd E.2.

1.27.3—National Pride (H. M. Botelho, 138); 2. Boolat Bay (Gram, 168); 3. Rose-Queen (Poy, 156). Short head and 2. A.M.4.

1.29.0—Dupont Bay (Hearne, 168); 2. Rose Emily (Poy, 140); 3. Avon (Needa, 145). 3 and 2. 2nd E.1.

1.29.1—Galveston Bay (Hearne, 161); 2. Boolat Bay (Tao, 161); 3. Rose-Queen (Poy, 158). Short head and 6. 1st E.

1.29.3—Willynilly (Chiu, 142); 2. Smiling Time (Wei, 140); 3. Chatterbox (Encarnacao, 152). 2 and ½. A.M.5.

1.30.1—Clownor (Ip, 148) and Sylvandale (Hearne, 140); 3. Soldier of Britain (Fung, 168). Dead heat and 1½. A.M.4.

1.31.4—Bressay (Hearne, 159); 2. Emergency Call (Black, 148); 3. Portrush (K. W. Fung, 158). 2 and 1½. A.M.5.

1.35.2—Blue Diamond (Wei, 145); 2. King Kong (H. M. Botelho, 156); 3. Lancashire Lass (Chao, 163). 2 and 1½. 2nd E.1.

1 Mile:—

1.51.2 (record)—Burford (Ph, 161); 2. O-Lan (Needa, 158); 3. Dupont Bay (Hearne, 161). A.M.3.

1.52.4—Craigavad (Encarnacao, 163); 2. O-Lan (Needa, 158); 3. Dupont Bay (Black, 151). ¾ and ¾. A.M.5.

1.53.1—Clember (Chao, 161); 2. Possible (Tang Man Wa, 158); 3. Johnber (Gram, 158). 4 and 2. A.M.4.

1.54.1—Eve of Harvest (Encarnacao, 168); 2. Lilliber (Gram, 152); 3. Bear Claw (Black, 155). 2½ and 2. A.M.3.

1.54.3—Burford (Ph, 168) and Confusion Bay (Black, 168); 3. Mount Hope Bay (Proulx, 156). Dead heat and 3. 2nd E.2.

1.59.0—Johnber (Chao, 153); 2. O-Lan (Needa, 150); 3. Oonagh (P. Botelho, 149). 1½ and 4. 2nd E.1.

2.01.0—King Kong (Chao, 159); 2. Rose Evelyn (Encarnacao, 159); 3. Salvage Master (Pan, 160). 6 and many. A.M.4.

2.02.0—Musketeer (Liang, 157); 2. Celtic Star (Marshall, 165); 3. Rose Evelyn (Encarnacao, 165). 4 and 2. A.M.2.

2.02.4—Gay Star (Needa, 158); 2. Hughber (Chao, 151); 3. Distinctive Time (Wei, 161). ½ and 2. 2nd E.2.

2.06.0—Guinness Time (Wei, 168); 2. Advancing Time (Chao, 151); 3. Laughing Girl (Liang, 158). 1 and 4. 2nd E.2.

2.09.2—Bogey (Chiu Ki Fan, 140); 2. Gox (Sadick, 161); 3. Valorous (Wood, 159). 4 and 1½. A.M.4.

2.15.3—Phoenix (Liang, 153) and Chatterbox (Black, 156); 3. This Time (Wei, 151). Dead heat and 2½. 2nd E.1.

2.18.0—Fai Ying (Wei, 146); Portrush (Needa, 154); 3. Double Chance (P. Botelho, 161). 1 and 2. 2nd E.1.



1 Mile 171 Yards:—

2.06.4—Bear Claw (Black, 150); 2. Galaxy (Chao, 155); 3. Red Feather (Wei, 150). ½ and ½. A.M.5.

2.08.1—Jennifer (Marshall, 157); 2. Expansion Time (Wei, 151) and Potentate (Encarnacao, 157). 2 and dead heat. A.M.5.

2.12.2—Tampa Bay (Wei, 159); 2. Boolat Bay (Tao, 163); 3. Galveston Bay (Hearne, 158). Short head and short head. A.M.1.

2.12.2—O-Lan (P. Botelho, 163); 2. Rose Emily (Poy, 145); 3. Red Feather (Wei, 161). 3 and neck. 2nd E.2.

2.13.2—Jennifer (Black, 150); 2. Jobber (Chao, 154); 3. King Kong (H. M. Botelho, 161). Head and 2. 2nd E.2. Jennifer was disqualified for crossing and Peaceful View was awarded third place.

2.13.4—Strathbannock (Black, 163); 2. Guinness Time (Wei, 155); 3. Clownor (Ip, 146). Short head and 2½. A.M.1.

2.15.4—Guinness Time (Wei, 163); 2. Strathbannock (Black, 171); 3. Celtic Star (Marshall, 165). 3 and 3. A.M.3.

2.17.0—This Time (Wei, 140); 2. Night View (Ph, 163); 3. Some Hope (Hearne, 145). 1½ and short head. A.M.3.

2.18.4—Phoenix (Liang, 152); 2. Emergency Call (Black, 140); 3. Brassay (Hearne, 154). 5 and neck. A.M.3.

2.25.1—Wilber (Ho Hong-ping, 140); West Lake (Yeung Wing-kwai, 153); 3. Some Hope (Coppin, 153). Short head and 3. 2nd E.2.

¼ Miles:—

2.20.4 (record)—Burford (Ph, 161); 2. Satinlight (Moller, 161); 3. Confusion Bay (Black, 161). 2 and 3. A.M.4.

2.22.0—Confusion Bay (Black, 159); 2. Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 148); 3. Navy-light (Moller, 162). 2 and ½. A.M.2.

2.24.4—Racylight (Moller, 168) and Greiber (Gram, 161); 3. For All Time (Wei, 161). Dead heat and 5. A.M.4.

2.24.1—Satinlight (Moller, 161); 2. Greiber (Gram, 161); 3. Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161). 5 and many. A.M.1.

2.28.1—Hopeful Star (Hearne, 161); 2. Avon (Black, 140); 3. Red Feather (Wei, 157). Neck and ½. 1st E.

2.28.1—Jobber (Chao, 154); 2. Peaceful View (Ph, 158); 3. Rose Jane (Poy, 140). 5 and short head. 1st E.

2.48.4—Celtic Star (Tao, 155); 2. Guinness Time (Wei, 163); 3. Clownor (Ip Kui-ying, 145). Short head and 2½. 2nd E.1.

½ Miles:—

2.50.4 (record)—Satinlight (Moller, 161); 2. Burford (Ph, 161); 3. Craigavad (Encarnacao, 161). ½ and many. A.M.2.

¾ Miles:—

3.41.3—Navylight (Moller, 161); 2. Confusion Bay (Black, 161); 3. Eve of Harvest (Encarnacao, 159). Neck and many. A.M.1.

Australian Ponies

½ Mile 170 Yards:—

1.00.2—Connleber (Gram, 152); 2. Ascot Day (Chao, 153); 3. Sea Jay (Proulx, 155). ¾ and 1½. A.M.5.

1.00.3—Melody Star (Proulx, 155); 2. Spring Shine (Chao, 152); 3. Princess Claro (Liang, 152). 6 and 3. A.M.3.

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RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

Race No. 1
WILLYNILLY
CHATTERBOX
WILBER
Outsider:—Soldier of China

Race No. 2
BAFFIN BAY
TRIUMPHANT DAY
LUCKY LAD
Outsider:—Amicus Curiae

Race No. 3
JUST IN TIME
GALVESTON BAY
BOOLAT BAY
Outsider:—National Pride

Race No. 4
COCKLEROI
ASCOT DAY
MURRUMBIDGEE
Outsider:—Happy Landings

Race No. 5
JOHNBER
FOR ALL TIME
GAY STAR
Outsider:—Oonagh

Race No. 6
AMBER II
INCOME TAX
BALATOC
Outsider:—Brown Derby

Race No. 7
CELTIC STAR
ADVANCING TIME
LAUGHING GIRL
Outsider:—Soldier of Britain

Race No. 8
MANY THANKS
FRANKLIN
AUSTRALIAN PRINCE
Outsider:—Fair Chance

Race No. 9
GOLDEN COW
EMERGENCY CALL
DOUBLE CHANCE
Outsider:—Ascot Vale

DAILY DOUBLE:—JOHNBER AND
CELTIC STAR.

SAPPERS TO MEET S. CHINA IN 2ND. DIVISION PLAY-OFF

By "REFEREE"

TWO IMPORTANT First Division games, as far as the runners-up title is concerned, will be played this afternoon; between Royal Scots and Eastern and Kowloon and South China "B".

Eastern cannot afford to lose against Royal Scots this afternoon as they must win in order to remain in the running for the title, while the game between South China and Kowloon has been made more interesting in view of the fact that both these teams have an outside chance of finishing second as the result of Kowloon and Eastern losing during the week.

VITAL JUNIOR GAME

Another important game will be played between Engineers and South China in Second Division in the second game for the play-off for the title.

In the first game, South China won by the only goal scored early in the game and thus will require only a draw for the championship.

These teams have met twice in the Semi-Final of the Shield since then and there was little difference between them so that a good game can be expected.

Service Corps should go a step nearer to the Third Division championship to-day as they should account for International, who have shown poor form recently.

To-morrow two First Division games will be played. Club are meeting Eastern in the latter's last game of the season, while South China "A" should make sure of the championship by beating Police.

SCHOOLS SPORTS

Central British School will hold its annual sports meeting this afternoon on the School ground, commencing at 2 p.m. sharp.

Lady Noble has kindly consented to distribute prizes at the conclusion of the meeting.

Wah Yan College, Kowloon will hold their Fifth Annual Athletic Sports at the Kowloon Football Club ground on Thursday, April 11, commencing at 1 p.m. Mr. Chan Wai-chuen will distribute the prizes.

PROGRAMME

The following is the programme for the week-end.

TO-DAY

First Division
Royal Scots v Eastern
(Club at 4.45 p.m.).
Navy v Middlesex
(Causeway Bay at 4.45 p.m.).
S. China "B" v Kowloon
(Caroline Hill at 4.45 p.m.).
St. Joseph's v Kwong Wah
(Boundary Street at 4.45 p.m.).
(Second Division) Play off
Engineers v South China
(Club at 3.15 p.m.).
Third Division
Electric v Royal Scots
(St. Joseph's at 3.15 p.m.).
R.A.S.C. v International
(Caroline Hill at 3.15 p.m.).
12th R.A. v South China
(Stanley at 3.30 p.m.).

TO-MORROW

First Division
S. China "A" v Police
(Caroline Hill at 4.45 p.m.).
Eastern v Club
(Club at 4.45 p.m.).

TO-DAY'S CRICKET

Following is to-day's cricket programme and some of the teams. Fixture between Craigengower and Civil Service in Senior Division has been abandoned.

First Division

Recrelo v H. K. U.

Second Division

C. S. C. C. v I. R. C.
H. K. U. v Army

Friendly

K. C. C. v H. K. C. C.

TEAMS

Seniors

H.K.U.:—W. S. Gegg, R. S. Gill, N. C. Sen Gupta, N. V. Lingam, S. Mahmood, J. Tsui, G. Hong Choy, K. S. Oh, T. T. Chin, K. Y. Tam and C. N. Matthews.
C.C.C.:—A. R. H. Esmail (Capt.), P. J. Billimoria, A. B. Hamson, A. J. Hulse, A. K. Ismail, C. W. Lam, E. A. Lee, A. M. Omar, W. Hong Sling, G. Souza and J. L. Youngsaye. Scorer—H. W. Randall; Umpire—G. Ladd.

Juniors

H.K.U.:—L. H. Tan, R. M. Soares, K. Lo, J. C. Fenton, O. V. Cheung, C. W. Ho, J. Amerall, C. S. Loke, T. B. Teoh and E. E. Guterres.

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The Bowlers will play the Corps Artillery of H.K.V.D.C. at Lawn Bowls at Government House on Saturday next, April 13, at 3 p.m.

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- 1.01.0—Flying Dutchman (Needa, 152) and Sparrow (Chao, 153); 3. Sea Jay (Proulx, 153). Dead heat and short head. A.M.3.
- 1.02.0—Many Thanks (Davis, 145); 2. Franklin (Needa, 148); 3. Fair Chance (Proulx, 148). 2 and short head. 2nd E.2.
- Six Furlongs:—
- 1.16.2—Far View (Ph, 155); 2. Sparrow (Wei, 153); 3. Sea Jay (Proulx, 153). 8 and 4. A.M.1.
- 1.17.2—Lancashire Chips (Wei, 153); 2. Criffel (Needa, 150); 3. Double Finesse (S. W. Pan, 140). 4 and short head. A.M.1.
- 1.17.3—Sydney Lad (Hearne, 155); 2. Pumpernickel (Proulx, 152); 3. Derby Day (Chao, 155). Neck and 2½. A.M.3.
- 1.17.4—Australian Diamond (Tao, 155); 2. Melody Star (Proulx, 153); 3. Lucky Lady (Needa, 155). Short head and 2. A.M.1.
- 1.17.4—Sapper (Encarnacao, 155); 2. Contact (Davis, 152); 3. Viceroy (Chao, 155). 3 and 1. A.M.1.
- 1.19.2—Ruby Star (S. W. Pan, 138); 2. Heinz (Davis, 135); 3. Violet Queen (Chao, 153). Short head and short head. A.M.2.
- 1.21.4—Bruno (Treverton, 160); 2. Perola d'Oriente (Wei, 152); 3. Violet Queen (Chao, 157). ½ and ½. 2nd E.2.
- 1.26.1—Springhurst (Poy, 152); 2. Australian Prince (Ip Kul-ying, 152); 3. Tarzan (H. M. Botelho, 140). 2 and 2. 2nd E.1.
- 7 Furlongs 49 Yards:—
- 1.26.1—Afak (Liang, 150); 2. Happy Landings (Davis, 145); 3. Pumpernickel (Proulx, 155). Short head and short head. A.M.4.
- 1 Mile:—
- 1.44.3—Devonlan (Black, 150); 2. Tornado

- Star (Proulx, 162); 3. Triumphant Day (H. M. Botelho, 140). 3 and 1½. 1st E.
- 1.44.4—Courtney Eve (Ph, 147); 2. Chiltern (Encarnacao, 155) and Tornado Star (Proulx, 153). 2 and dead heat. A.M.4.
- 1.45.3—Vanity Fair (Ip Kul-ying, 155); 2. Ascot Day (Chao, 155); 3. Princess Claro (Liang, 153). 3 and 2. 1st E.
- 1.46.2—Contact (Davis, 152); 2. Ascot Day (Chao, 155); 3. Busylight (H. M. Botelho, 147). 6 and ½. A.M.2.
- 1.47.2—A Roaring Time (Wei, 150); 2. Happy Landings (Davis, 152); 3. Pumpernickel (Proulx, 151). 2 and 2. 1st E.
- 1.47.4—Twilight Star (Hearne, 154); 2. Violet Queen (Chao, 155); 3. Discovery Bay (Wei, 150). 2 and short head. A.M.5.
- 1.47.4—Albury (Encarnacao, 155); 2. Sea Jay (Proulx, 155); 3. Maple Star (Tao, 154). 3 and 3. 1st E.
- 1.48.1—Lucky Lady (Hearne, 155) and Amicus Curiae (Gram, 155); 3. Albury (Encarnacao, 155). Dead heat and 1. A.M.2.
- 1.54.4—Many Thanks (Davis, 145); 2. Lucky Lady (Needa, 155); 3. Rowah (Hearne, 148). Neck and 6. 2nd E.1.
- Many Thanks was disqualified and Flying Dutchman (P. Botelho, 152) was given third place.
- 1 Mile 171 Yards:—
- 1.59.3—Sapper (Davis, 160); 2. Far View (Ph, 155); 3. Sparrow (Yuen, 147). Neck and many. 2nd E.1.
- 1½ Miles:—
- 2.10.4—Far View (Ph, 155); 2. Baffin Bay (Hearne, 155); 3. Sapper (Encarnacao, 155). Short head and 2. A.M.5.
- 2.14.1—Lucky Lad (Needa, 154); 2. Baffin Bay (Hearne, 145); 3. Devonlan (Black, 150). 1½ and 1. A.M.2.
- 2.15.1—Murrumbidgee (Black, 158); 2. A Roaring Time (Wei, 165); 3. Annabella (Chao, 165). Many and many. A.M.3.
- 2.16.0—Viceroy (Needa, 155); 2. Vanity Fair (Ip, 155); 3. Albury (Encarnacao, 155). Short head and 2½. A.M.4.
- 2.16.3—Baffin Bay (Hearne, 160); 2. Tornado

NEXT WEEK'S TENNIS

Following is next week's tennis programme at Hong Kong Cricket Club:—

MONDAY

Open Singles

Tsuai Yan-pui v R. G. Biesel Jr. (Stand Court).

Open Doubles

T. A. Pearce and B. C. Fay v F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang (8).

Club Championship

J. J. Ferguson v R. C. Beavan (7).

Handicap Singles

A. Lade (—4/8) v C. H. R. Hyde (—30) (6).

Mixed Doubles Handicap

B. O'M. Deane and Miss D. Eardley (—15/3) v V. R. Gordon and Mrs. Ralph (scr.) (3).

TUESDAY

Open Singles

Leung Ping-chiu v Tsui Wai-pui (Stand Court).

Club Championship

J. J. Ferguson or R. C. Beavan v D. M. MacDougall (8).

Handicap Singles

M. Page (—30/3) v G. C. Burnett (—15) or E. Zulaut (—15) (7).

Mixed Doubles Handicap

D. G. G. Allen and Miss J. Purkis (scr.) or C. B. and Mrs. Nicholson (—3/8) v J. S. Theobald and Mrs. Churchill (—15/2) (4).

Star (Wei, 140); 3. Lucky Lad (Needa, 160). Short head and short head. A.M.1.

2.19.0—Brutus (Black, 158); 2. Discovery Bay (Wei, 145); 3. Twilight Star (S. W. Pan, 149). 5 and dead heat. A.M.2.

1½ Miles:—

2.20.4—Murrumbidgee (Black, 150); 2. Sydney Lad (Hearne, 165); 3. Vixen Tor (Davis, 159). 2 and 2. 2nd E.2.

2.41.4 (record)—Far View (Ph, 163); 2. Sapper (Encarnacao, 155); 3. Amicus Curiae (Marshall, 155). ¾ and 6. A.M.3.

WEDNESDAY

Open Doubles

E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung v C. H. R. Hyde and J. J. Ferguson (Stand Court).

Wong Fook-nam and Lam Kwan v T. C. Monaghan and T. J. Gould (4).

Club Championship

R. G. Biesel Jr. v B. C. Fay (7).

Handicap Doubles

N. D. Lloyd and W. R. Lambert (scr.) v R. C. Beavan and A. K. MacKenzie (—1/6).

Mixed Doubles Handicap

B. O'M. Deane and Miss D. Eardley (—15/3) or V. R. Gordon and Mrs. Ralph (scr.) v Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stark (scr.) (3).

THURSDAY

Open Doubles

Wong Fook-nam and Lam Kwan or T. C. Monaghan and T. J. Gould v J. Gonsalves and A. V. Remedios (Stand Court).

Open Singles

S. A. Ruinjahn v J. W. Leonard (4).

Handicap Singles

A. H. Barwell (—1/6) v C. B. Nicholson (—3/6) (6).

Mixed Doubles Handicap

C. H. R. and Mrs. Hyde (—30) v R. C. Beavan and Miss J. Smalley (—3/6) (3).

FRIDAY

Open Doubles

E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung or C. H. R. Hyde and J. J. Ferguson v T. A. Pearce and B. C. Fay or F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang (Stand Court).

Handicap Doubles

T. C. Monaghan and D. M. MacDougall (—15) v C. B. Nicholson and G. C. Hobbs (—2/6) (4).

A. Lade and G. W. Sewell (—9/8) or W. G. Harvey and A. H. Barwell (scr.) v C. D. N. Walker and E. L. Taverner (scr.) (3).

V. C. Gordon and H. J. Armstrong (—15) or R. K. Valentine and L. M. S. Lloyd (—3/6) v N. D. Lloyd and W. R. Lambert (scr.) or R. C. Beavan and A. K. MacKenzie (—1/6) (2).

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By Order of the Board,
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THE INTENTION OF THE new Clause 60 of the War Revenue Bill, about which there was much confusion yesterday, was explained to the "China Mail" this morning by Mr. T. Black, the Accountant-General.

The principle of assessing taxation on the earnings of the year preceding the assessment year is to be followed throughout, except in the case of the Property Tax.

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This means that taxes coming due under the Bill in 1940-41 will be assessed on the business profits, corporation profits and salaries of 1939-40.

Taxes due under the Property Tax will be collected on the basis of the current Assessment Tax.

Mr. Black explained that the necessary assessment forms to be filled in by Salaries, Business Profits and Corporation Profits taxpayers, for the purpose of the assessment, are unlikely to be sent out for at least six months. The Property Tax, offering few, if any, complications, may see earlier activity.

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This alone, it is believed, will discourage aggressors.

Preliminary details will soon be released by official spokesmen, according to the correspondent.—Havas.

The prefix "Special" to telegrams is used by the "Sunday Herald" and "China Mail" to indicate news which is strictly confidential under the provisions of the Telecommunications Ordinance, 1933, and may not be reprinted under any circumstances, either wholly or in part, without prior arrangement.